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New alcohol policy will change P-Day

By Sharon Gaudin

The semester has barely begun but thoughts are already focusing on spring break, warmer weather, and the ever popular P-Day. However, to the dismay of many students, this year's Spring Weekend will present a major transformation.

Because of the new alcohol policy, there will be a shift of emphasis this year from P-Day being a drinking event to a social event. Jenny Cernosia, Student Activities director, said, "We're not sure right now that there will be alcohol at the structured events. I'd like to avoid it."

St. Michael's is gradually trying to change students' expectations of Spring Weekend.

Dean of Students Mike Samara, said, "We need to be attentive to the 10 to 12% [of the students] who can't drink." He said the school will not exclude the freshman as they are a part of the community as well.

St. Michael's has to change the emphasis of P-Day now to achieve a transition for future years, Samara said.

"Next year the 12% [that cannot drink] will jump to 42%,"

Samara said.

Neila Anderson, Social Committee co-chairperson, said P-Day will not be like it has been in the past but "we still want people to recognize it."

There will be a stronger focus on activities to hinder the weekend from becoming a drinking event, she said. The social committee is tentatively considering intramural competitions and a carnival. The traditional Friday night semi-formal is already being organized.

The prospects for attracting a big-name band look relatively good this year. The money that would ordinarily go into buying alcohol can instead be spent on bands. Anderson said funds for 100 to 150 kegs add up to a substantial amount of money.

Another change will appear in Spring Weekend being strictly a community celebration. Samara said in the past guests have created a lot of problems on P-Day, including several incidents of vandalism and fighting. Since visitors do not have to account for their actions, they tend to get out of control, he explained.



Students at St. Michael's may be in for a surprise this year at P-Day, as talks of all structured events being "dry" have been circulating among the organizers of this year's event.

Although it is going to be difficult the first year with the new drinking policy, Anderson optimistically said, "A lot of time,

effort, and money have been put into Spring Weekend so it should be very successful."

St. Michael's says yes to minors

By David Ferrigno

Last October faculty passed a resolution permitting academic minors in any department at St. Michael's and five minors were recently made official.

In order for a department to gain a minor, the chairman must submit a plan to the Curriculum Committee with no more than seven courses (21 credits). If the Curriculum Committee passes the plan, the department has an official minor at the school.

The departments of biology, economics, sociology, political science, and computer science now offer minors.

Professor Norbert A. Kuntz, chairman of the history department, said the departments of psychology, chemistry, and physics tentatively will not have a minor.

"The psychology department simply can't handle the numbers (of students) and the chemistry and physics departments' schedules simply won't allow them to adopt a minor," Kuntz said. He added that the history department will offer a minor in the future.

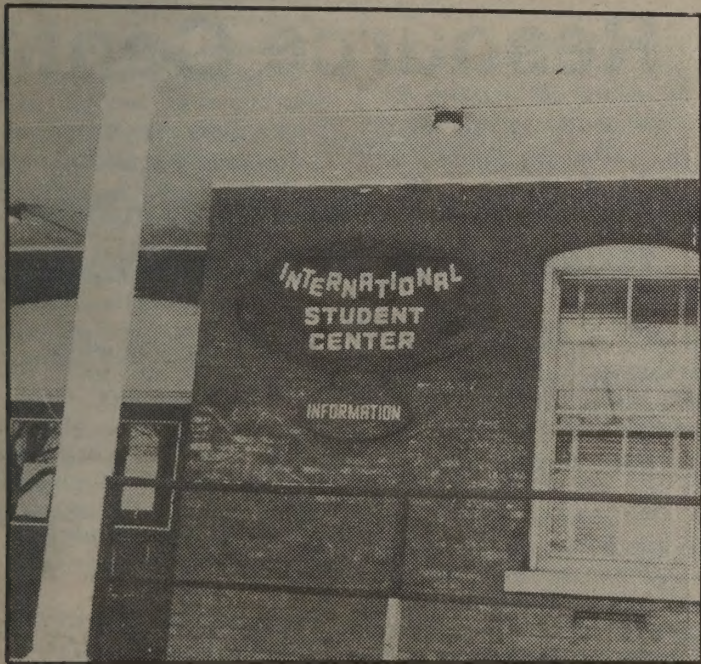
Juniors and seniors will be allowed to sign up for a minor beginning next year, but freshmen and sophomores will not. Freshmen and sophomores can take courses that contribute to a minor but the signing of the form will not be done until the junior or senior year.

Taking a minor will only give the student an official designation on his or her transcript that he or she minored in a subject. Kuntz said that for most students, a minor will have no effect on their academic status and "middle-of-the-road or average students should forget it."

Students will find no restrictions in attempting to file for a minor. However, in order to have the minor listed on the student's transcript, he or she must achieve a grade point average of 2.0 in the minor subject.

Kuntz said he anticipates that by May most of the departments at St. Michael's will have a minor.

Dupont to house students



The Dupont Language Center will soon be no more. The building will be converted into a new dorm.

By John Jennings

The Dupont Language Center will soon house 53 single dorm rooms for international and undergraduate students, according to Tim Pedrotty, Director of Physical Plant.

Dupont will be converted from its present use as the International Student Program headquarters, to a dormitory accommodating primarily ISP students.

Students will live in suites, which will include a central living area, surrounded by five to eight single bedrooms.

The college is making the conversion in hopes that it will attract new business from international students who wish to take in intensive English courses.

For example, Samara said, a group of foreign businessmen might want to take intensive English courses and stay for per-

haps a month.

"We've had opportunities like that before, but we've had to turn them down because of lack of housing," Samara said.

Modern language majors and students who plan to study abroad will probably be among the 15 American undergraduates living in Dupont. Samara said juniors who can not get other housing and who do not want to live in the quad may also have a chance to reside in the new dorm.

The conversion will cost the college approximately \$400,000, Pedrotty said. The college Board of Trustees allocated the funds in a meeting last year.

In addition to the International Student Program, Dupont now houses several classrooms and the Modern Language lab. The lab and the ISP will be relocated to the second floor of the new building.

Alarms may sound earlier next year

By Deb Gavron

There is a possibility for 8 am classes beginning next semester. This new proposal was presented to the Student Association General Assembly by Curriculum Committee Student Representative Caroline Patrie.

Patrie discussed the positive aspects of changing the present class schedule.

She said, "This new schedule allows for more classes in the morning. This will satisfy a

demand made by students for more classes earlier in the day.

"There will be more flexibility in class scheduling now, too. The professors and classes that are more popular will be able to open up another section for students."

Proposals call for classes on Monday-Wednesday-Friday to begin on the hour and run for 50 minutes. There will be a ten minute interval between classes. Classes will begin at 8 am and

continue until 2:52 pm. Tuesday and Thursday classes will run for the same hour and 15 minutes, with a 15 minute time slot to go between classes. Classes will continue until 5:15 pm. There is an open time space on Tuesday-Thursday 12:12 pm to 1:30 pm. This open area is scheduled for student meetings and professor meetings.

Patrie said, "This will relieve the pressure to have all meetings late in the afternoon"

There are several problems with the new schedule. The first is the breakfast hours at SAGA. The Curriculum Committee has asked Tom Ryan, director of SAGA to extend the breakfast hours 7:15 am to 8 am. The problem posed was if students did not have a class until 9 am and they still wished to eat in the morning.

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Around Town

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Wed.

The Student Association's film committee presents, "The God's Must be Crazy". Shows at 7 and 9 p.m. at the Herrouet theater on the north campus of St. Michael's. Price is \$2.

- Rape Prevention Workshop at 2 p.m. in the upstairs lounge in Alliot Hall. A presentation and discussion of rape prevention tips by the Burlington Rape Crisis Center.
- College Bowl Tournament 5:30 p.m. at the McCarthy Recital Hall
- Open poetry reading at 8 p.m. for more information call the St. Michael's switchboard at 655-2000.
- Men's basketball vs. Middlebury. 7:30 p.m. at the Ross Sports Center.

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Thurs.

- Women's basketball at Norwich University, game time is 7:00 p.m.
- Coffee House featuring the singing of Tom Walters. In the upstairs lounge Alliot from 7-9 p.m.
- Alliot Governing Board meeting in Greensleeves at noon.
- Social Awareness Committee meeting upstairs lounge Alliot 6:15 p.m.

- Social Committee meeting upstairs Alliot 4 p.m.

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Fri.

College Bowl Tournament 5:30 p.m. at the McCarthy Recital Hall.

- Bottle drive by the Freshman class

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Sat.

- Day two of the Freshman class bottle drive
- Men's Ice Hockey vs. Villanova at the Essex Junction Skating Rink, TBA
- Men's Basketball at the Ross Sports Center, St. Michael's vs. LeMoyne, game time is 3:15 p.m.

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Sun.

SMC Volunteer for the elderly meeting at 5 p.m. in the Chapel. Members and non-members are welcome. For more info call 655-2000 ext. 2424.

The best of Gilbert and Sullivan, 8 p.m. at the Flynn Theater. For more information call 863-8778.

Men's Ice Hockey vs. Villanova at the Essex Junction Rink TBA.

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Mon.

- Student Life meeting Alliot upper lounge 6:30 p.m.
- Internal Communications Committee upstairs lounge Alliot 6 p.m.
- Film Committee meeting Alumni 202 at 6 p.m.

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Tues.

Ryan Hall balloon sale-in the lobby of Alliot during lunch and dinner.

St. Michael's Fire Department Informational Meeting. 6 p.m. in Alliot Hall. All are welcome.

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Rescue Blotter

By Chris Sariego

1-13-87 8:30 a.m. Rescue responded to Winooski for an 87-year-old male patient with abdominal pain. The patient stated having a history of hernias, and had a baseball size lump in the middle of his abdomen.

1-15-87 6:52 a.m. Rescue responded to Winooski for a 66-year-old female patient with lower back pain. The patient had fallen down a flight of stairs, and stated that she had "felt faint" and almost passed out before falling. The patient was fully immobilized to protect her spine.

1-21-87 1:05 a.m. Rescue responded to Hinesburg for a 25-year-old male patient suffering from a drug overdose. The patient weighed an estimated 450 pounds and took seven people to lift into the ambulance. The patient suffered from slurred speech and drowsiness, and became less and less responsive during transport to Medical Center Hospital of Vermont. An IV was started enroute.

1-22-87 6:15 a.m. Rescue transported a 37-week-old baby from Champlain Valley Physician's Hospital in Plattsburg to Medical Center Hospital of Vermont Intensive Care Nursery. The baby suffered from difficulty swallowing and breathing.

1-23-87 6:44 p.m. Rescue responded to Winooski for a 57-year-old female patient who was found combative and abusive on her living room

floor after blacking out. The patient initially refused to be taken to the hospital, but blacked out again while rescue was on the scene. Due to her now being unable to speak due to her medical problems, it was considered that she had given her "implied consent" and was transported to Medical Center Hospital of Vermont. The patient had alcohol on her breath, and some difficulty speaking.

1-23-87 11:53 p.m. Rescue responded to Winooski for two male patients who were reported to have been stabbed with knives. St. Michael's Rescue requested UVM Rescue to respond as back-up for the second patient, and then proceeded to the scene where it was determined that neither patients were seriously hurt. St. Michael's patient was a 32-year-old male who was lying on the floor in his underwear. The patient had been attacked, and defended himself with a fork. He was occasionally violent, verbally abusive, and slipped in and out of consciousness. UVM's patient was also in his underwear, and suffered from minor abrasions received by the fork. A possibility of drug use by both patients was in question.

1-24-87 1:56 p.m. Rescue responded to Essex Junction for a 16-year-old male patient with pain to his neck, and right shoulder. The patient had been dropped on his shoulder during a wrestling match. He was immobilized before transport to prevent injury to his spine.

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Bergeron 113 6-7 pm. Chris Clary

Feb. 10
EXAM PREPARATION WORKSHOP
Bergeron 113 6-7 pm. Chris Clary

Feb. 11
INTERVIEWING/NET-WORKING INFORMATION SESSION
Bergeron 113, 114 5-6 pm. Lou DiMasi and Art Spengler

NEW PROGRAMS

Feb. 9-12
This series of workshops will be offered two times during the semester. They will take place Monday-Thursday from 4-5:30 pm at The Student Resource Center. Lou DiMasi

I. **HOW/WHERE DO I START/INTRODUCTION TO CAREERS**
Monday, February 10

II. **HOW TO USE YOUR RESUME- MARKET YOURSELF THROUGH NETWORKING**
Tuesday, February 10

III. **DECISION MAKING**
Wednesday, February 11

IV. **MAKING THE MOVE**
Thursday, February 12

PRESENTATION

Feb. 11
CAREERS IN ALLIED HEALTH- a panel presentation of professionals in a variety of fields including: physical therapy, physician assistant, and mental health services.
Bergeron 105, 106 4-5:30 pm
Brian Salvaggio

ON-CAMPUS RECRUITERS

Feb. 3
Defense Contract Audit Agency, Accounting and Business Majors welcome, 9-4 at The Student Resource Center.

Feb. 4
Department of Cytology, UVM Medical Center, Science Majors with courses in Biology welcome, presentation at 3:00 in The Student Resource Center.

Feb. 10
Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. All Majors Welcome, 9-4 at The Student Resource Center.

Feb. 11
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Evenings Monday-Thursday 6-9

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SMC cheerleaders win NECCCs

By David Ferrigno

The St. Michael's College cheerleaders are the New England College Cheerleading champions. The squad won the New England College Cheerleading Championship (NECCC) on Nov. 23 in Dover, NH in a rather unique fashion.

reach in order to win. If they did not reach this standard, the championship wouldn't be given to any team.

The squad needed at least a 70 out of a possible 100 points in four different events. They

qualified to perform in Hawaii at halftime of the Hula Bowl (NCAA Division I Senior Football All-Star Game). Due to funding, Henry and LeBlanc were the only ones able to attend.

In addition to the halftime show of the Hula Bowl, which

the National Cheerleading Champions competition in Anaheim, CA on Feb. 14 and 15, but the college division of the competition was cancelled because the insurance necessary to hold the event could not be obtained. Jeff Whaley, director of the NCC located in Hawaii, could not be

Coach Cheryl Conrad said, "We worked very hard for it (NCC's) and we got it, but now we can't go because there's not even a competition. It's disappointing."

Amy Berthiaume said, "It's disappointing knowing you made it and then you can't go. It's definitely a let-down."

Besides the squad winning the NECCC's and qualifying for the NCC's, they also placed 25th out of 200 Division II schools in qualifying for the Universal Cheerleading Association (UCA) championships. Unfortunately, the UCA only accepted two Division II schools. The National Cheerleading Association also could not obtain insurance to hold a competition.

Six teams were scheduled to compete in the competition. One of Boston University's girls broke her wrist while cheerleading at a basketball game the night before and the rest of the teams were unable to attend. However, this did not mean that St. Michael's would automatically be handed the championship.

The judges set a standard that St. Michael's would have to

"It's disappointing knowing you make it and then you can't go. It's definitely a let-down."

— cheerleader Amy Berthiaume after the squad qualified for the NECCC's and it was canceled.

scored 80, 76, 84, and 86 and brought the championship back to St. Michael's.

Donna Henry, Beth Le Blanc, Kathy Smith, Jennifer Fisher, and Hilary Segal scored high enough to be chosen individually as all-stars at the NECCC's and

was shown on national television on NBC, Henry and LeBlanc performed at halftime of three basketball games and attended several cheerleading clinics in Hawaii.

By virtue of their win at the NECCC's, the squad qualified for

reached for comment.

The squad was ready to go to California. President Eiss was prepared to front the money and the squad would pay back better than two thirds of the money through fundraisers but the NCC cancelled its competition.

Kunin fighting for state aid to education

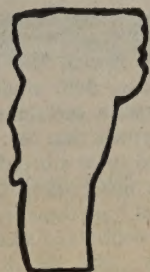
By Patricia Coates

Aid to Vermont's beleaguered educational system has become the primary issue facing the state legislators this session.

Governor Madeleine Kunin, in what observers label a 'refreshingly bold move', endorsed the Foundation plan recommended by a task force on state aid to education. The Governor, under pressure since last November's election to assume more leadership on issues, committed the entire half hour of her state of the state address to the proposal. Kunin has also been on television making a pitch for the plan.

The Governor supports the plan as an answer to her two-term campaign promise for improvement in the State's educational system. The provision recognizes that in Vermont, the quality of education varies dramatically depending on where a student lives. The Foundation Plan, endorsed by a one vote margin of the task force, addressed these inequities.

The plan would assume a statewide per pupil education cost of \$3,400 a year. Towns with a school tax rate of \$1.25 per hundred dollars of assessed



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value that could not meet the \$3,400 per pupil target would have the balance made up in state aid. Towns that could meet the spending target with a school tax rate lower than \$1.25 would raise the \$1.25 and send the balance in to the state.

Kunin faces an uphill battle in passing the Foundation Plan, which garnered the support of only ten legislators when originally introduced.

Critics cite continued reliance on the property tax as a major flaw of the Foundation Plan. Although taxes would only be raised in wealthier communities, the increase would drastically affect the taxes of middle- and lower-income residents in those communities.

It has also been suggested that the Plan would have a negative impact on economic development. Opponents say encouraged economic activity would be senseless if most of the new tax revenue were to leave the community.

Formal opposition to the Foundation Plan has come from the Vermont League of Cities and Towns, which outlined alternative measures for state aid. Their formula is designed to decrease Vermont's overdependence on the property tax. It uses the current Morse-Giuliani state aid to education formula "by targetting the aid to those towns which need state funds," reports the VLCT. It calls for a

\$21 million increase in aid, to be brought in by tapping the state sales tax on soda, beer, wine, and liquor.

Burlington Mayor Bernard Sanders is a member of VLCT and, in keeping with his longstanding criticism of the property tax which "is not based on one's ability to pay", opposes the Foundation Plan. The board of

oldermen will consider Burlington's options at the Feb. 16 meeting, while Sanders seeks a \$1.3 million aid package from the state for Burlington schools.

Presently, the financial aspects of the Foundation Plan are being considered in the respective House and Senate committees, while students in Vermont await aid for their schools.

Senior class to pledge money to library fund

From The Senior Class
Class of 1987 Begins
Gift Campaign

The contribution of a gift by the graduating class has long been a tradition at St. Michael's College. After several discussions with seniors and gift committee people, the Class of 1987

has decided to pledge to the Durick Library Fund. This fund will allow the senior class to contribute significantly towards future library improvements. Class of '87 gift Co-chairs Deb Desjardins, and Eugene McLean III will be working closely with the Office of Institutional Advance-

ment and 18 other seniors to explain and solicit pledges over the next three weeks. According to Desjardins, "an initial pledge of \$10 will place a senior's name

on the Honor Roll of Donors, with \$90 pledged over the following three years. Names will also be entered in a raffle for a \$150 grand prize, with other prizes to be awarded at the con-

clusion of the pledge drive on March 16." The gift towards the Durick Library has taken a different direction than previous class gifts, which mainly funded the Campaign for Excellence. "I

believe the Class of 1987 has the potential to surpass all classes before us. Many of the class members are behind this effort — it is something the school is in desperate need of," said Class of '87 President Rich Mulry.

In order to raise a substantial amount of pledges, each committee person will be responsible for 20 seniors. According to

McLean, "Fifty percent participation will enable the class to raise over \$20,000 in pledges. We believe this goal is within our reach." Committee people will begin the drive on Monday, January 26th. The next few weeks will determine if the Class of 1987's efforts lead to one of the most successful fundraising campaigns in St. Michael's history.

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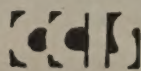
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Condom use is moral

With the constantly-growing threat of AIDS becoming more and more entrenched in the consciousness of the average American, the birth control industry has put the American print and broadcast media at a moral crossroads. Unfortunately, because of pressure from several groups, including the Catholic Church, the media has for the most part taken the wrong path.

In recent weeks the producers of birth control devices, most notably condom makers, have been promoting their products as preventive measures in the fight against the deadly disease. The industry has tried to gain access to media channels for advertising purposes in the hopes of pitching condoms as protection from AIDS and other sexually-transmitted diseases.

The media, in all but a few instances, has turned a deaf ear to the condom makers' requests, instead listening to conservative and religious groups that in the past have

claimed that advertising *any* form of birth control device is akin to promoting immorality. Advertising contraceptive devices, even though they are being promoted as something that could slow the AIDS epidemic, has been deemed immoral by many of these groups.

The question of morality is, of course, valid, but one wonders which is more immoral; using a device that could be effective in cutting the spread of AIDS, thus saving lives, or preventing the advertising of such a product.

The Catholic Church, long a pillar of morality, should, despite its reservations about the appearance of promoting immorality, get behind the push to advertise condoms as AIDS prevention.

To prevent or to do nothing to promote the use of condoms as AIDS protection is clearly immoral. People are dying everyday from AIDS and related diseases. It is immoral not to do something to prevent that.

Clarification

In *The Defender* article "Two deaths affect the student body," in the Jan. 28 issue, the information concerning the accident which took the life of Brian Varjabedian was obtained from police reports of the incident.

However, *The Defender* has since received witness accounts which state that the accident was not alcohol-related. Witness reports state the accident was due to hazardous road conditions.

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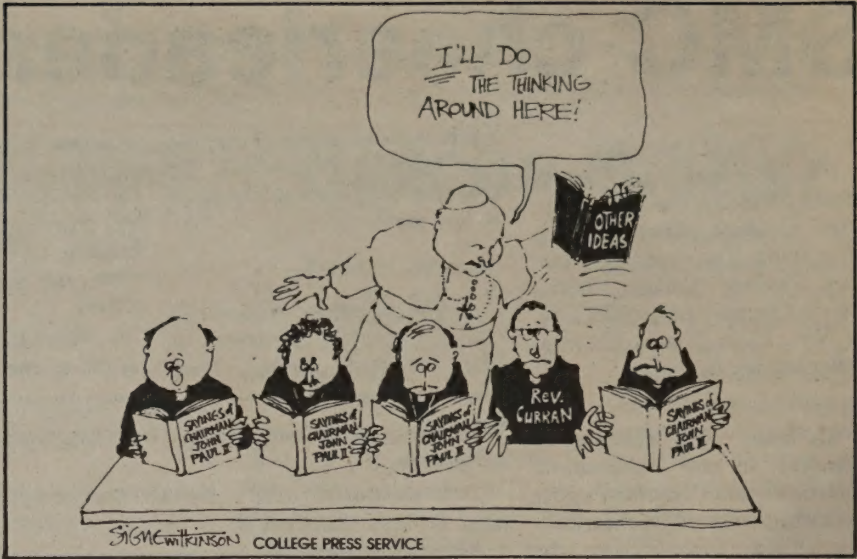
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Opinions need facts

To the Editors,

On Thursday evening, January 29, 1987, I had the pleasure of seeing and listening to Michael Meeropol speak in defense of his parents, Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, who were executed in the summer of 1951 for the crime of having sold "atomic secrets" to the Soviet Union. For over 35 years this case has been the subject of interest and controversy for those who believe that the U.S. government may have framed the Rosenbergs to deter criticism of atomic policies and those who believe that the Rosenbergs were indeed traitors. I realize that this is a simplistic view of the debate but my point is that there has been considerable debate over the years. Volumes have been written analyzing the case and defending one viewpoint or another. Within the format of a one hour academic lec-

ture, Mr. Meeropol did a fine job of presenting the essential elements of the case while attempting to demonstrate the innocence of his parents. Most importantly, Mr. Meeropol succeeded in urging his listeners to read more about the case if they wish to hold an informed opinion about it.

As I was leaving the Recital Hall I ran into two students, one with whom I'm familiar and another I didn't recognize. They asked about what had been going on in the Recital Hall and I told them. Both students registered a certain amount of surprise that Mr. Meeropol had spoken in defense of his parents. When I realized that both these students had somehow acquired the opinion that the Rosenbergs were, in fact, traitors of the most heinous kind I asked, "So, what have you read?" I'll admit that I was not terribly surprised to find out that

the answer was, "Nothing."

I am concerned when our young people hold opinions based on hearsay. I am concerned when our young people seem so willing to believe what they have been told, when they refuse to find the truth for themselves. In these United States we enjoy the freedom of being able to question our government, of being allowed to hold opinions contrary to the status quo and those held by the most powerful. This is a right, perhaps a duty, that our forefathers and mothers fought hard to win and protect. I would urge us all, both Left and Right, both young and old, to regard this privilege of opinion with the respect it deserves and to do our homework.

Respectfully,

John Penoyer
Campus Minister

Is Miles doing his job?

To the Editors,

A Sports Information Director, SID, what does he do? What is he supposed to do? Here at St. Michael's our SID is Gerry Miles. Some of his job tasks are: press releases on St. Michael's sporting events to the local media, design of game programs, compilation of statistics, and general PR for the athletic teams here at St. Michael's. Does Gerry Miles do his job?

From my perspective as the manager of the men's soccer, hockey, and lacrosse teams, I don't think so. I get very frustrated when basketball season rolls around, because at that time Gerry's title should change from *Sports Information Director* to *Basketball Information Director*.

I am particularly concerned at this time with our ice hockey team and its recognition, or lack thereof. This year, the hockey team has seven senior players who I feel should be acknowledged for their efforts over the past four years. It is the largest graduating class the St. Michael's Hockey team has ever had since becoming

a varsity sport. Two players in particular hold school records: At this time, Jay Bellissimo is the all-time leading scorer with 65 goals and 52 assists, and Phil Fernandez holds the Division III ECAC career save record with 2,169 saves.

As Gerry Miles did for the graduating seniors on the men's soccer team, I asked that senior profiles be included in the programs for the home hockey games. Because these programs are pre-printed, except for the rosters, I suggested last semester that an insert be made. Gerry resisted this suggestion because he claimed he was short of help to put the programs together and he was also concerned about the extra cost.

I believe the profiles are necessary for appropriate recognition of these athletes who have been influential in the early years of the hockey team and its success. Therefore, I offered my personal assistance to help assemble the programs. Unfortunately the profiles have yet to be compiled. Gerry Miles now tells me that he does not have the time.

Why doesn't Gerry have the time? He seems to have time for soccer season in the fall and for lacrosse season in the spring but, during the winter, he spends the majority of his time with the basketball teams — unless, of course, the hockey team has had a winning season and is playing in the first round of play-off games. Gerry then is there to support them.

I appreciate the basketball teams for the publicity and the funds they bring to St. Michael's, and I enjoy watching their games when I'm not at a hockey game. But, there are other athletes involved in winter sports who must be recognized by our Sports Information Director as well as the entire SMC community.

I know the hockey team doesn't have a winning record this year, but in past years neither have the basketball teams. Yet, Gerry always found the time to write their media guides and programs. Why can't he find the time to compile seven senior profiles for the hockey team?

Shannon Dunleavy

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Op-ed

Random thoughts for cold winter days

By George Snell

Since the beginning of the year, I've been storing up tidbits of information and slightly off-beat observations. And since we're stuck in the middle of the coldest winter St. Michael's has experienced in quite sometime, this is as good a time to write them down as any. If, after reading the list, you have any additions or complaints, write me a letter. Address it to me and I'll print the best ones in a future column. Don't be shy. Okay, let's roll.

- The majority of guys on campus wear high topped work boots in the winter. Yet, the hard rubber soles have absolutely no traction on the snow. So guys walk a kind of step, slide stride.

- The big "Giants Party" at the Meadowlands was the biggest

sporting joke since Kareem Abdul-Jabbar was the co-pilot in the movie "Airplane".

- Did you know that you can buy an MTV/St. Michael's sweatshirt in the bookstore? If you buy three you get a free Madonna album and Alan Hunter's autograph. And just in

time for the spring you can get a VH-1 t-shirt or a 'USA network loves SMC' baseball cap.

- Health Services should offer interested students birth control. This way the school could educate the students about the pros and cons of using it and let the students decide for themselves if birth control is for them.

- The best place in the Burlington area to have breakfast is Sneakers. No one else comes close.

- In order to save a couple of

seconds, students would rather walk along the skinny, slippery homemade walk ways than on the plowed concrete ones.

- Brian Donahue and John Brady make a pretty good team as president and vice-president of the Student Association.

- I don't think it's fair that seniors caught having keg parties are being put on probation during senior week. Senior week is supposed to be a time that the seniors can let loose and not worry about life for the last time. That's going to be hard to do when half of them are going to be on probation.

- The greatest rock and roll band of all time has got to be the Rolling Stones.

- I do some pretty stupid things when I've been drinking.

- Come to think of it most of my friends do stupid things when they've been drinking.

- Watching the Men's Basketball team strut its stuff in the Ross Sports Center has to be one of the highlights of my week.

- Professors should not be allowed to take attendance. If a student doesn't want to go to class then that's the student's decision. Forcing a 22-year old to go to class kind of defeats the purpose of coming to college.

- I can't understand why anyone would want to be a cheerleader at St. Michael's. They take so much abuse from the fans.

- The lamp post in between Ryan and Joyce is haunted. Every time someone walks by it either blinks on or blinks off. Maybe it's trying to tell us something. Like, I need a new light bulb?

- The best policy move Kell

and Mahoney's ever introduced was the preferred customer card. The only reason I like it is because I have one.

- The proposal to start classes at eight in the morning is a good idea.

- The 200s is the best place on campus to live.

- The St. Michael's campus is too barren. The college needs a lot more trees, bigger trees and a lot more shrubs is key in stopping the cold winter winds.

- Many people think I'm a muckraker.

- Moonlighting is a great television show.

- Remember to write me a letter with your observations or comments. I want to hear what you have to say and it's a great way to get your name in the paper.

LETTERS

Student at large speaks

To the Editors,

I was just thinking, not that it really matters but...

- oooh nooo- what's happened to Mr. Bill?

- the most improved situation on campus has got to be the steps and walkways after snow storms. A couple years back the situation was nothing better than a bad (liability) situation. A round of applause for the maintenance people please, and don't forget the other valuable things these people do for us.

- P-Day 1987: To be or not to be? That is the question!
- why do I support the tuition increase? It will increase our professors' salaries, it is one of the lowest increases in the last 10 years. Pres. Reiss was open and willing to talk about it and there seems to be a genuine need for it. But the real reason why I support this increase? I'm a second semester senior, why else?

- the book store has as much variety as Kentucky Fried Chicken.

- Maybe someone could refresh our memories about what security's mission, goals or purpose is. If we could understand what their job is supposed to be, then we might not think of them like a bad hangover.

- a (senior) student recently said the best things about St. Mike's are Olgay's and quarter drafts. That, is praise!

- WARNING: Rumor has it that local police are in the habit of ticketing people who walk the streets (as in hitchhikers) for the low, low sum of \$30. If you don't pay, your home state drivers license is revoked. How do I know? A friend of mine decided to walk home from the bars of Winooski, instead of driving home with

a drunk friend, and an officer pulls this stupid human trick on her. I suppose people like my friend are as dangerous as a drunk driver, but I'd rather be hit by the former than the latter.

- did you ever think that if SMC went down the tubes that the quad dorms would make excellent prison cells?

- Hey, what's your problem? That's a good question which too often goes unanswered nor acted upon. I understand though that it's easier to just hang out.

- the phone booth in the library smells like old gym socks.

- *The Defender* unclassifieds are almost the most interesting thing in here, and one of the most enjoyable too. But last week's More Sports on pg. 11, and there's one picture of #35! Nice

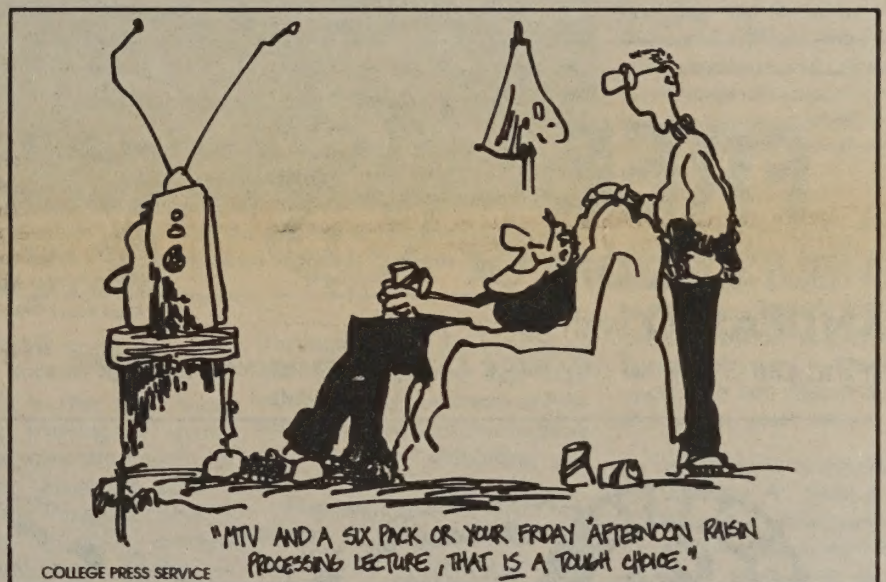
shot, but not too much More Sports all at once. I can't handle it.

- however, who doesn't, even in the least bit, look forward to next week's issue?

- last semester something was said about the irritating bus situation, and I don't take that back! The roaly take that back! The royal pain of it all are faults in the system though, so it would be tough to blame our lot of drivers who have little control over things. These guys run that loop day in and day out continuously, with pleasant manners, but most important, safely! Unfortunately not enough thanks is offered for all they do. So the next time they have saved you a sub-freezing mile-long walk, would it hurt to offer a Thank You? No.

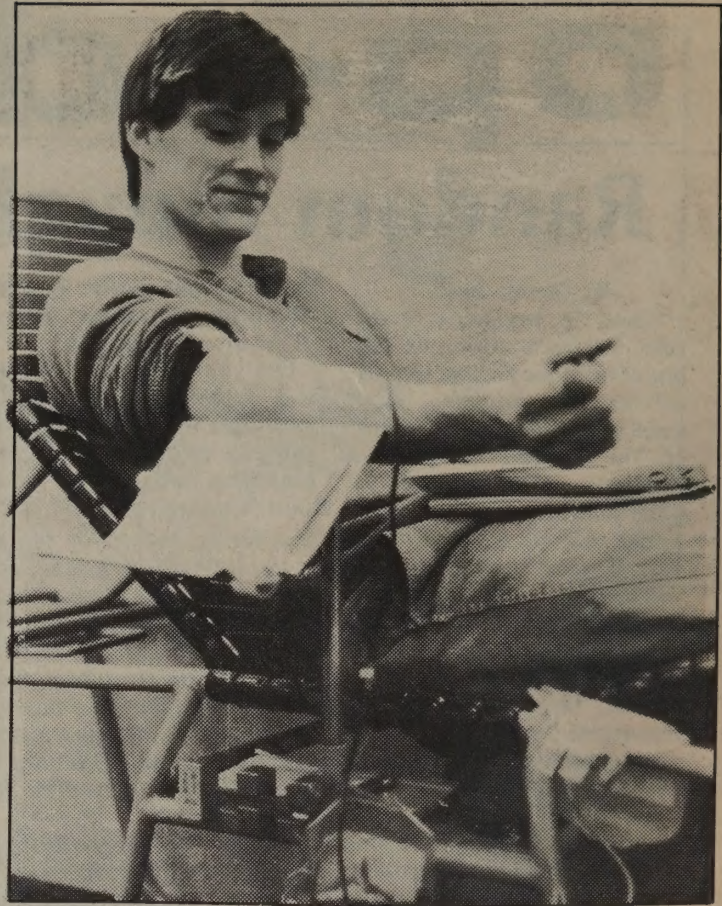
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UVM student Mike Wright gives blood at the Red Cross Center in Burlington. Photo by Pat Farrington.

Blood donors run short of their goal

By Dennis Murray

120 people each donated one pint of blood Friday afternoon in a blood drive sponsored by the Air Force ROTC program. The drive was held from 12-5 pm in the Ross Sports Center and was administered by the American Red Cross.

The 120 donors were short of the goal of 160 set by ROTC members. Bad weather and excellent ski conditions probably contributed to the shortage of

donors, Steve Grady, a ROTC spokesman said.

The blood donated will be distributed to 16 hospitals throughout Vermont and New Hampshire. Donated blood is used for accident victims who have lost a substantial amount of blood and for people in need of blood transfusions, a Red Cross worker said.

The next blood drive will be held sometime in April.

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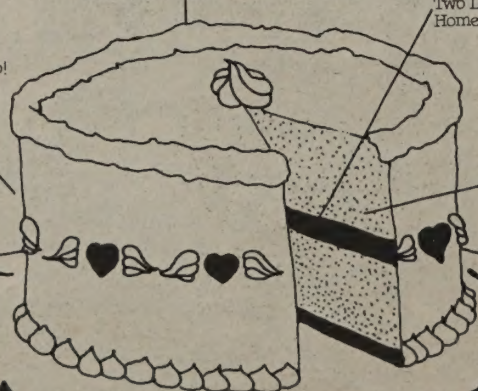
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International Corner

By Liz Dodge

The Dupont Language Center is "home" to a large part of the student body at St. Michael's College, the international students. A lot goes on in Dupont and around campus involving the international students, and most American students are unaware of these activities.

The Defender has introduced an "International Corner" which will feature a different story each week on something important in the international department.

Some upcoming issues may include stories on:

- International Neighbors Brunches
- Enrique Corredra, a St. Michael's graduate now working for the Burlington Free Press.
- Faculty and Staff of the International Programs
- a look at a "day at Dupont" for the international students
- the arrival of a new student and his or her "settling"
- a feature on an American student working at the Center for International Programs

features

Artist's poster work reflects his strong social conscience

By Chris Sariego

"Stop and think!" read the hand held posters.

"Don't do it!"

"Say no!"

Rising high above the signs held by the crowd, three nuclear cooling silos menace the dusky yellow horizon. Blotting out the sunset, and rising clearly above the silos, a bloated, Humpty-Dumpty-like figure firmly clasps dollar bills visible in its outstretched hands. Cigar clamped firmly between its teeth, eyes narrowed and a sneer visible upon its lips, the figure menaces the clamoring masses of humanity.

"The people say no!" reads the slogan above the poster, and then below, "We want to live!"

The poster is the work of artist Philip Hagopian, who is exhibiting his works at Burlington City Hall through Feb. 6. Up the marble steps from Church Street, and behind the doors of City Hall, lies the Municipal Art Gallery, and the works of an artist.

Hagopian, whose poster was displayed at the Sept. 1986 anti-nuclear demonstration at Vermont Yankee nuclear power plant in Vernon, says his paintings represent humanitarian issues. In his poster, he says he is trying to get across "some awareness to the public of the imminence of total, irreversible, (nuclear) annihilation."

Other works at the exhibit deal with different humanitarian topics. One painting, entitled "Relocationcide," expresses concern for the plight of Native Americans who are being removed from their land.

Due to the recent discovery of valuable Uranium in property formally considered worthless, the Hopi and Navajo tribes in Arizona are being relocated from their tribal homeland. Hagopian said.

"The native American issue is exemplary of the irreparable destruction of people and earth because of greed," Hagopian said.

"The Consumer Consumed" is a painting dealing with the use of irradiation to preserve food being sold to the public.

"Radioactive waste from weapon's manufacturers is being used to preserve foods that the public buys at the supermarket," Hagopian said.

Hagopian's entire exhibit is entitled "What Every Living Room Needs." The artist said that any room in which people live should exhibit such paintings to allow people to become aware of the various threats to their existence. Hagopian cited industry and big business as being especially guilty.

"There are no more nations: Our leaders have become corporations... The people are no longer the voice of Democracy.

Rather, they are the tools, guinea pigs and victims of a system that knows no conscience," Hagopian said. "We are in a state of emergency, and it is a priority to make ourselves more aware," he said.

Hagopian was born in 1959, in east Longmeadow, MA. In 1977 he attended The Art Institute of Boston, from which he left after two years.

"I thought I was famous because I had an exhibit in a gallery on Newbury Street — well, I found out that I wasn't!"

Since that time he has been painting "to get by." During the 80's he sold some work to private collectors, and then turned away from painting to illustrate science fiction books. Since 1986 he has been doing one-person painting exhibitions around Vermont.

Hagopian was married in 1985 and credits his wife Donna with encouragement to be



"Relocationcide" deals with the relocation of native Americans whose land held valuable mineral findings. (photo by Cynthia Robertson)

genuine in his work.

"Most buyers appreciate generic art — they don't want something blasting at them, they want something soothing to look at," Hagopian said. "I find that the Vermont public is supportive of your covered bridges and sugar houses — that's what they buy. But, they have been real supportive...and the radical work has been received really well."

Hagopian is planning three new exhibits in the near future. The Daily Planet Restaurant in

Burlington will be exhibiting half of his present City Hall exhibit during the month of February, with the Chittenden Bank in Montpelier exhibiting the

Hagopian said his social conscience is sometimes not well received.

"We need to think collectively if we have any hope of surviving — as species — and as individuals...," said the painter.

To this, his work in the Burlington City Hall quietly testifies.



Students find Bradshaw's

By Dyane White

On Friday and Saturday nights, as well as some nights during the week, most St. Michael's students put their books on the shelves and head for the bars downtown. Finnigans and Last Chance are popular with St. Michael's students. Often, students brave the cold and wait in long lines to get inside these bars.

Recently, however, St. Michael's students have been flocking to Bradshaw's, in Winooski. What was once a quiet, relaxing bar where students went to escape the crowds has become a crowded, fun bar where students go to see their friends.

Andrew Bradshaw, who bartends and whose family owns it, said the crowd began to change last spring. "It took awhile for the students to realize we are here," he said. Bradshaw's opened in late March of 1985, almost two years ago.

"When we first opened, people thought we were a family restaurant," Bradshaw said. Once students realized they were welcome there they began to show up, he said.

Bradshaw's is equipped with a big-screen television. "The big-screen draws part of the crowd," Bradshaw said. During the World Series and the Super Bowl Bradshaw's did great business he said.

While the big-screen draws the male crowd, Bradshaw said women like Bradshaw's because it is cleaner and brighter than other bars.

Bradshaw said the employees also help to draw a crowd from St. Michael's. Three waitresses, one cook and two bartenders attend St. Michael's. Students come down to see their friends at work, Bradshaw said.

Although the crowd at Bradshaw's during the weekend is mostly St. Michael's students, Bradshaw insists Bradshaw's is not just a college bar. During the week there are as many locals as students. They all seem to get along great, he said.

Bradshaw's popularity is certainly good for the bar, but now students who used to go there to avoid lines will have to find someplace else to go.

Being a Resident Assistant is a plus

By Jill Jesso

Who do you go to if you need a vacuum or if you are locked out? Who do you go talk to if you are having roommate problems or if you just got bad news? In many cases, your Resident Assistant.

The RA for Lyons first floor is sophomore Trisha Dowd. On the positive aspects of her job she said, "I've learned a lot about myself and I've gotten a lot more organized. Also, I feel a lot more responsible. It's been a big plus."

Dowd's responsibilities include more than simply keying rooms and handing out vacuums but also being a disciplinarian, and settling differences between friends and roommates. "Even if I'm not on duty and I'm in the dorm, I feel responsible," Dowd said. "If there is something going on that's not supposed to, like a party or freshman drinking, I try to watch over that."

"Sometimes you get really late hours, whether you're on duty or

not, if you have a problem on your floor. Like if someone's upset... you have to stay up with that student until 2 or 3 am. Then you still have homework to do." Another drawback she mentioned is being on duty while others head out for the weekend.

Dowd said she thought the disciplinary part of her job would cause problems and that everyone would hold it against her. "It surprised me the first time I had to tell people, like sophomores, not to drink in the hall...they responded so quickly. They told me they understood that it was my job."

RAs in Lyons, spend one night a week on duty, Dowd said. On weekends they rotate the schedule so they are only on duty one full weekend a month, or one day every other weekend.

When asked whether she would advise becoming an RA Dowd said, "I would recommend

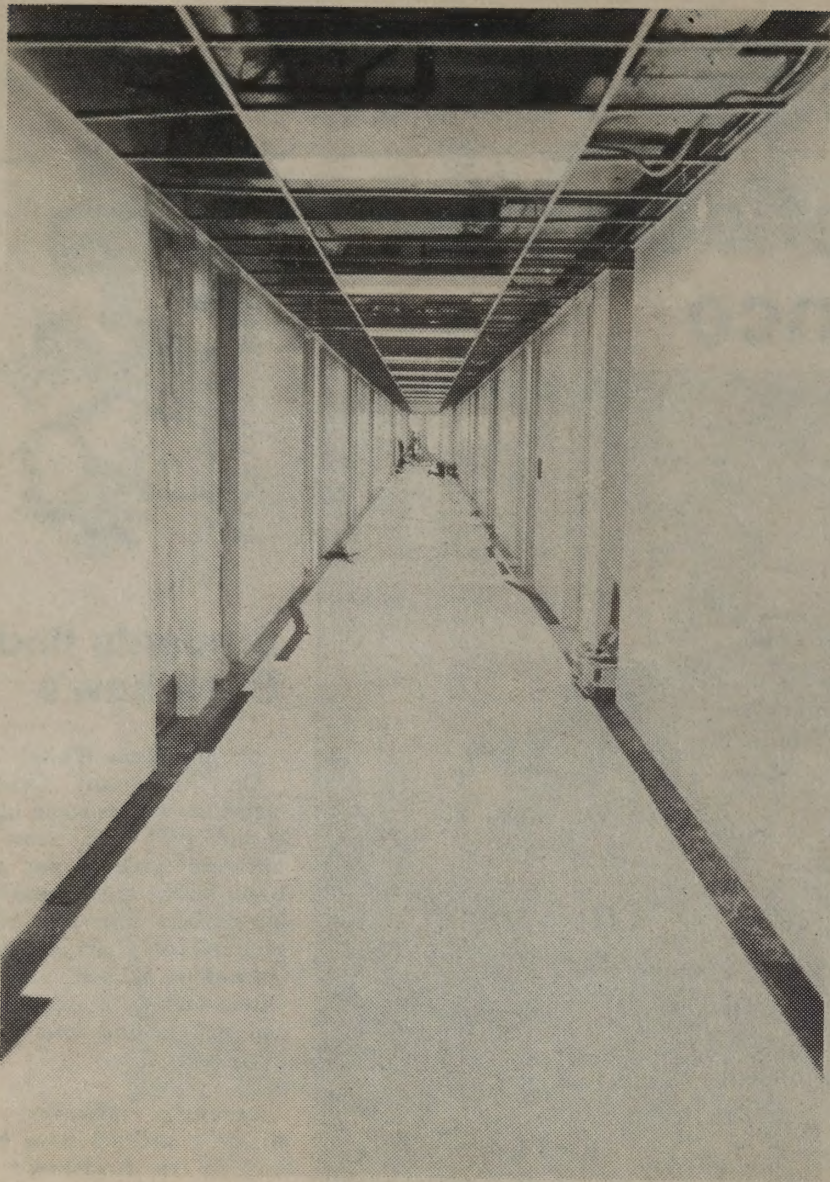


Trisha Dowd, Resident Assistant of Lyons 1st floor (Photo by Sybil Milo).

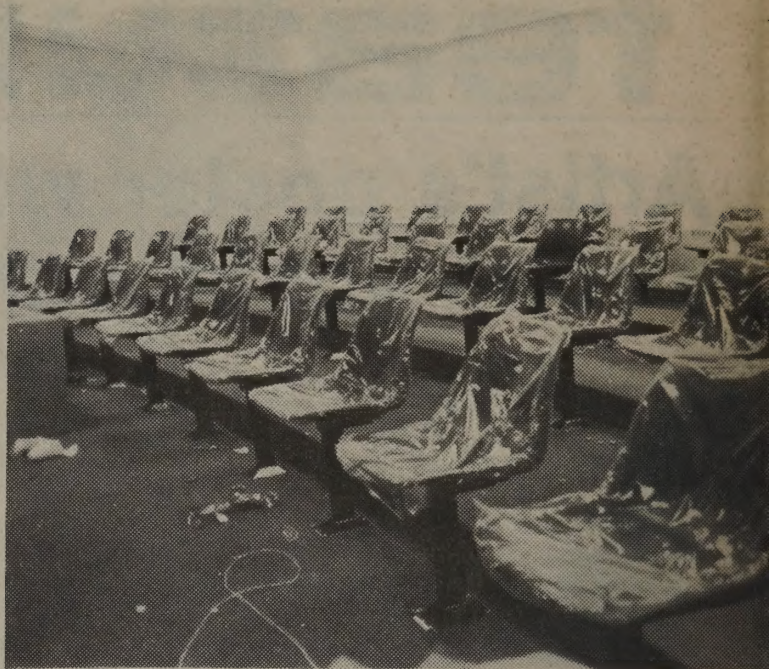
it if they can take on the responsibility. I just wouldn't tell anyone to do it."

"Overall I like being an RA," Dowd said. "You learn how to

deal with situations, and you learn how to make decisions, which is a big problem for most people. It's been a very positive experience."



The floor of one of the first floor hallways is almost done, the ceiling still has a way to go.



The chairs in one of the lecture halls waiting to be unwrapped.

Preview of t

By Anne Geggis

The new building will finally open this semester. It is scheduled to open for classes around mid-March. By next year it is expected that all departments except Art & AFROTC will be moved to south campus. As this date approaches, the St. Michael's community wonders what impact it will have on the college community.

While the new building will simply eliminate a lot of waiting in the cold for the bus, it also will have far-reaching affects on St. Michael's as a whole. Students, faculty, and staff have expectations and concerns surrounding the impact of the new building.

Jennie Cernosia, associate director of Student Life, predicts having most classes on south campus will promote greater unity at St. Michael's. "I expect to see more professors mingling with students. Alliot will become busier," she said.

The St. Michael's community is general views the opening of the new building as a positive development.

"It'll be great. The bus is

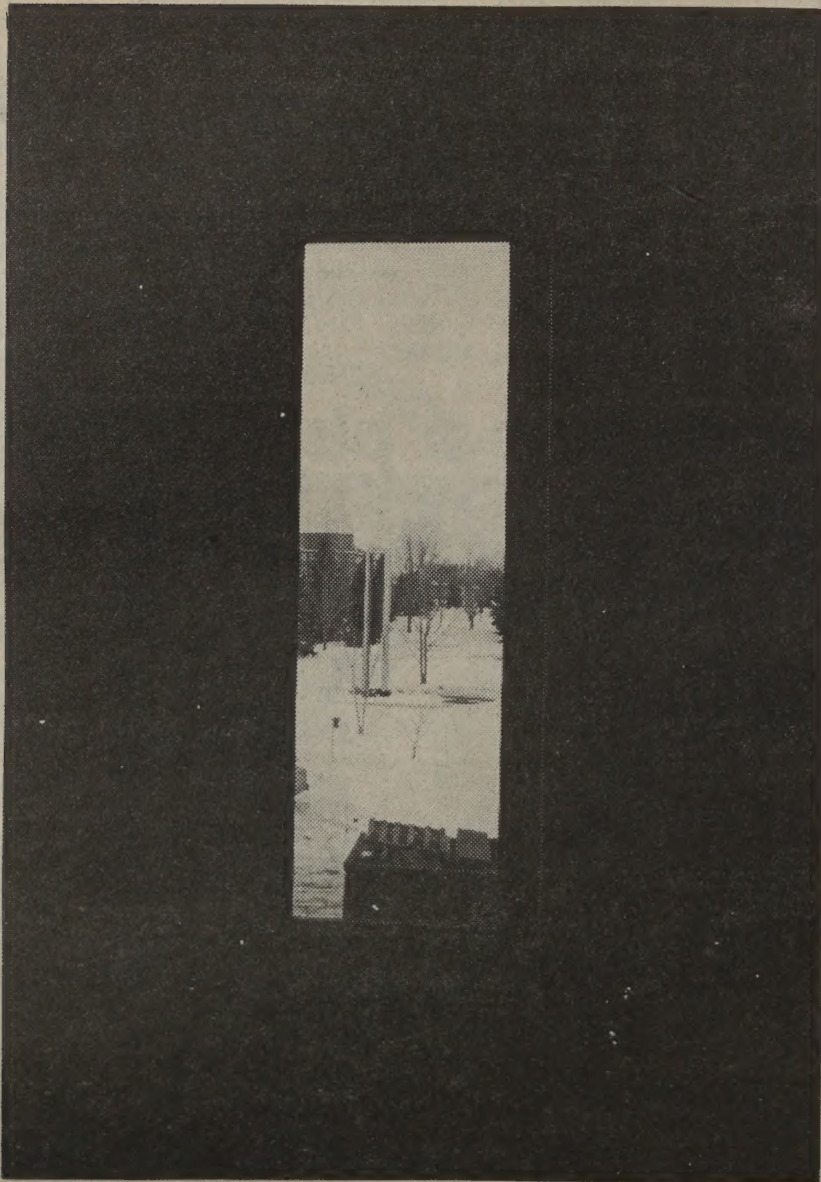
undependable. When the building opens I won't be for class anymore," Kris Slauskas said.

The faculty has expressed enthusiasm for the change. Thomas Andersen, associate professor of history commented that it will be nice to have an office and class on the south campus.

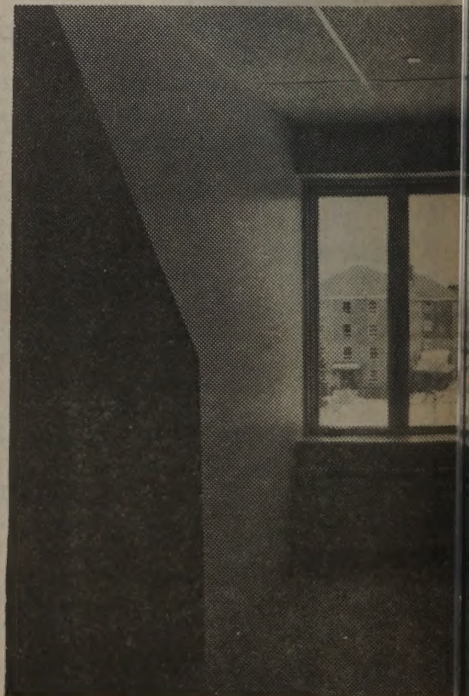
John Gutman, vice president of operations, said the new building is a step towards consolidation of the college on one campus. Complete consolidation is not expected to occur in the next 10 years.

South campus residents, for the most part, seem to agree the new building will make things easier.

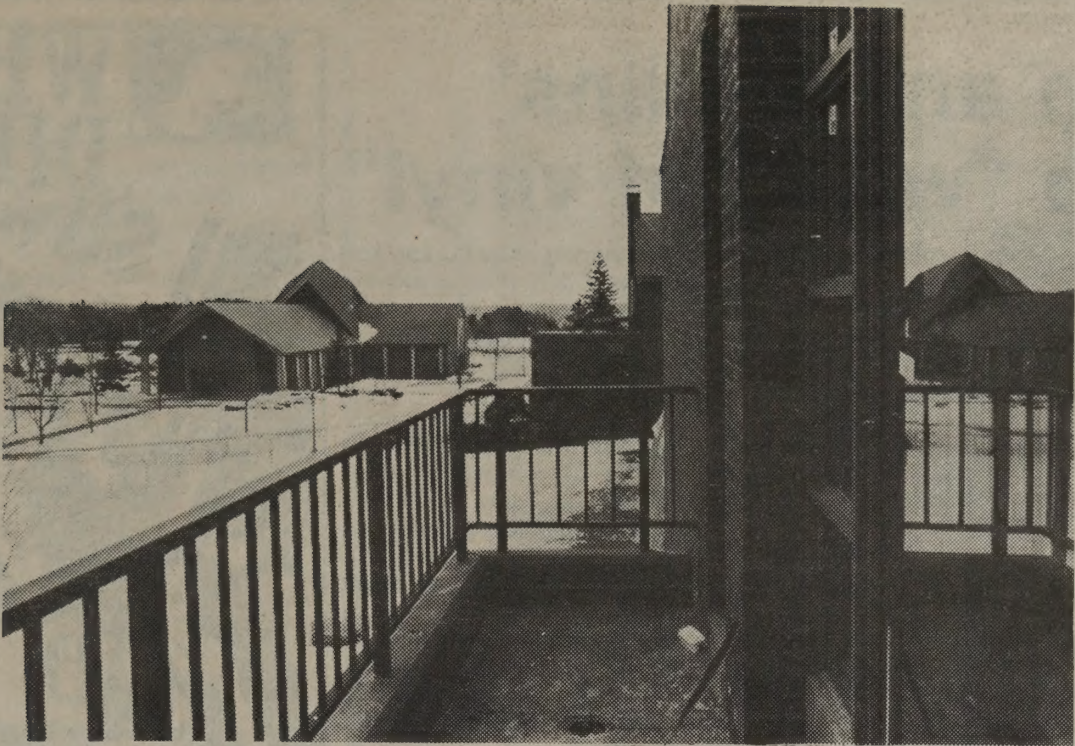
North campus resident Ann-Catherine Sullivan commented, "north campus will become more isolated after the building opens. People who live on south (campus) will not go up north. For the people who live here, it'll be just like high school — they'll have to stay on the main campus every day."



The Dupont Cross is visible from a second floor classroom.



Joyce and the Alliot rotunda as seen from



The balcony on the third floor looks out on the chapel and the mountains beyond.

the new building

Meanwhile, north campus will house the art department, and the AFROTC program, and approximately 175 students. The number of students living on north campus will increase when Dupont is converted into a dorm. Gutman said the conversion will be finished by the end of this year. Gutman also commented that the newly-converted dorm will probably be used by the International Student Program.

Because students will continue to live on north campus, bus service will continue. According to Gutman, the transportation service to north will be cut down to one bus running "on a continuous basis."

"Because bus service will be provided, we will encourage students living on the north campus to leave their cars up north."

Gutman said, however, parking will not be a problem when the new building opens. "There is plenty of parking for everybody at the Ross lot. There are 160 spaces for faculty and staff and 200 student lots," Gutman said.

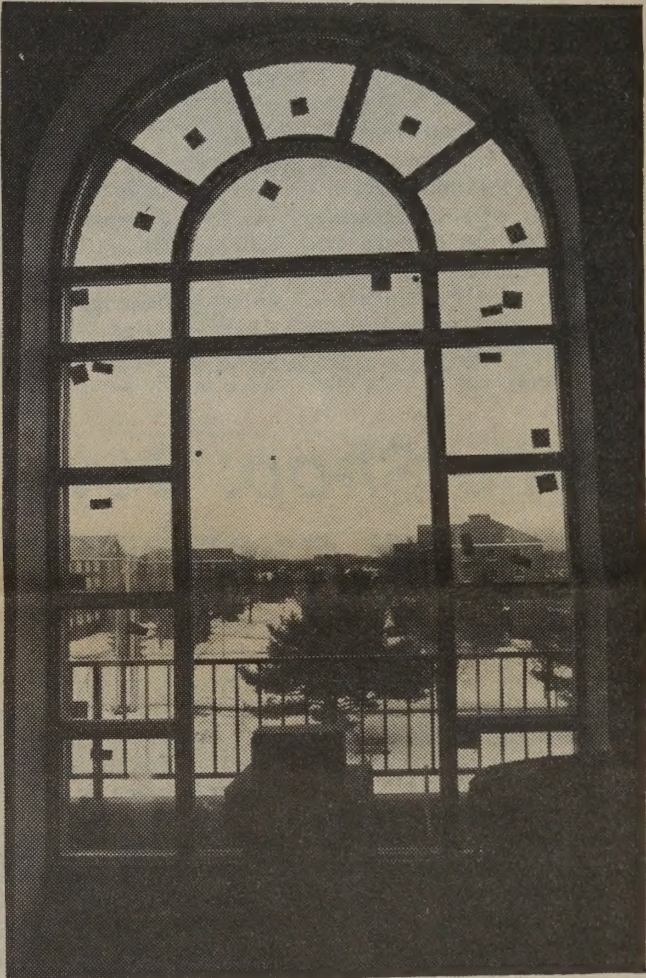
Gutman says however, traffic may be a problem. St. Michael's has asked Colchester and the State of Vermont to consider putting a traffic light by the Bagel Factory to relieve the problem.

Another aspect of the St. Michael's community that will be affected by the new building will be the college's food service. Tom Ryan, director of Saga said he expects the snack bar and the faculty dining area to be hardest hit by the change. He doesn't anticipate that changes at the Alliot Cafeteria will be necessary. Ryan said the cafeteria on the main campus can accommodate 300 more people than it already does. Ryan said the north campus cafe will remain open on its usual schedule.

Ryan said preparations have been made at Greensleeves to handle the expected increased volume of customers. Saga is looking at architectural changes to alleviate crowding in the faculty dining room.

Ryan said, "We will be looking at the numbers and making adjustments if necessary."

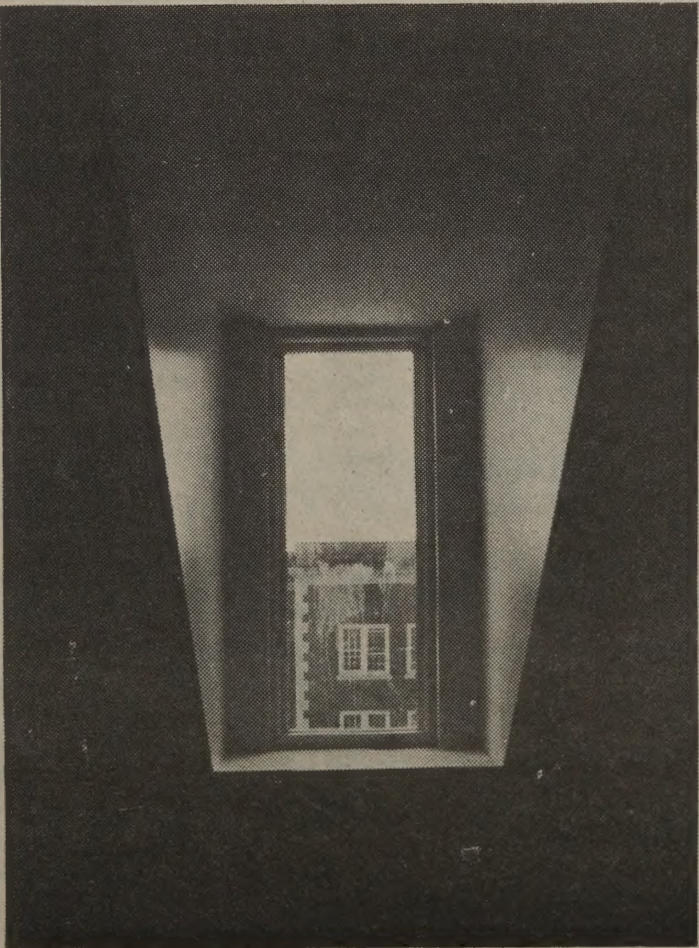
photos by Pat Farrington



The third floor lounge looks out over the quad.



one of the classrooms.



Looking at the old (Jemery) from the new.

Reviews

Clapton and Collins' latest: a "waste of vinyl"

By Mike Luoma

Eric Clapton August (Duck/Warner Brothers)

If there is a Rock and Roll hell, Phil Collins will be sent there when he dies. Never mind the fact that his innocuous voice and so-cute-yet-spoo-ugly face show up constantly on M-TV and the radio, although this alone would be enough to send him to the fiery nether regions. Phil Collins has perpetrated what in Rock and Roll terms amounts to a mortal sin — Philbaby has rendered a master of Rock and Roll and serious blues guitar nearly un-listenable.

Now the entire blame for this travesty of an album called *August* cannot rest entirely on the shoulders of Mr. Collins. Eric Clapton's name, after all, does appear on the cover. The way Collins has mixed down the vocals and Clapton's guitar work might lead one to feel that this album, which prominently features the drum work and arrangements of Mr. Collins, should be titled "Phil Collins — featuring Eric Clapton, kind of, maybe, sort of."

Not being one to sling mud

without some justification, let's dive into the swamp that *August* is. The album opens with one of the best cuts on the album, "It's In the Way That You Use It." Interestingly enough, perhaps the fact that this one song stands out on the album could be that it is the one song on the album *not* produced by Collins.

Instead, the song, which features co-writer Robbie Robertson of The Band, is produced by Tom Dowd. Despite the absence of Collins, this song is pretty basic for Clapton. It is a genuinely good pop song, but good pop doesn't equal good Clapton. The guitar riffs, few and far between, offer nothing different, and even bear remarkable similarity to the riffs in 1983's *Behind the Sun*'s "She's Waiting."

The rest of the album falls into the abyss that has been swallowing talent in anything P. Collins produces. I don't know where the talent goes, but the overdone helpings of the pop-synthesizers of Greg Phillinganes, the tepid, effortless bass work of Nathan East, and the

overdone, up-mixed drums and "percussion" (which in this day and age means extra synth-drums and sampler diddling) all combine to form the aural equivalent of cotton candy — light, fluffy, sugary-sweet and entirely without substance. The only song which redeems this waste of vinyl is "Holy Mother," a slow-moving, thoughtful piece which examines the demise of a rock and roller through drugs and alcohol, and is dedicated to the memory of Richard Manuel, the keyboardist from The Band and friend of Clapton's who committed suicide on tour last year.

As I said before, the entire blame for this disappointing showing can't be laid entirely on Collins. Clapton must face up for this blatant attempt at creating hits for the masses instead of the truly creative rock and roll he has shown himself capable of in the past. We don't ask Clapton not to surprise us with new innovations; we just ask him to try something new and not this re-harshing of recent Top-40 schlock.

Little Shop: Beware of geeks bearing carnivorous plants

By Anne Geggis

Take one down-and-out nerd, a dizzy blonde, and a man-eating plant with cheerfully poisonous charm and together they are the central characters in *Little Shop of Horrors*.

This darkly humorous comedy is no newcomer. In 1960, director/producer Roger Corman made it in two days as a cheapo horror comedy. *Little Shop of Horrors* was then brought to life as an on-stage musical. Since 1982, it has been running as an off-Broadway hit. It has now been brought to the silver screen once again, this time by the man behind the Muppets, Frank Oz.

Little Shop of Horrors is a parody of the American dream; a down and out boy wins the girl of his dreams and escapes skid-row into peaceful suburbia; not by using his brain and ambition, but through a plant.

Our geek-hero, Seymour Krelborn (Rick Moranis) seems doomed to a life of drudgery living in a ramshackle garden shop and longing over the object of his desire, Audrey (Ellen Greene). He then acquires a strange plant during an eclipse

of the sun. The plant, named the Audrey II, brings Seymour fame and fortune; but it has one catch, Seymour must provide the plant with human victims for food. "Feed me, Seymour!" pleads the Audrey II, which sings the blues.

The movie gets off to a slow start. The comic effect seems a bit forced and uneasy in the beginning. However, when Steve Martin makes his cameo appearance as Audrey's sadistic dentist/boyfriend, ("the leader of the plaque") the comedy has

A crucial element to the comedy's success is the musical aspect, some of the movie's funniest moments are during the musical numbers ranging in '60s style pop to blues. Doo-wop chorus narrates the action, ready to explain and elaborate on the subsequent events of the Audrey II's arrival. Steve Martin injects an outrageously funny song to explain how his penchant for causing pain led him to his profession, called "Son, Be a Dentist." The plant itself comes to

The plant, named Audrey II, brings Seymour fame and fortune; but it has one catch, Seymour must provide the plant with human victims for food.

no more problems going on a whimsical jaunt into comic heaven.

Other cameo appearances by Bill Murray, John Candy, Christopher Guest, and Jim Belushi add amusement to the movie. However, the viewer may be too interested in the plant to notice their appearances.

Punk's history is more than just music

By Dave Davoren

Punk rock. It has been over 10 years since these words originated across the Atlantic when the forgotten members of a society bullied their way into the pages of the media and the disdain of our parents.

Punk rock. It radically changed a corrupted fat cat music industry when a few of the bands existing the banner were able to alter the listening habits of a new generation.

"No Beatles, Elvis or the Rolling Stones..."

- The Clash

Punk rock. It was a rebellion by the youth against a society which had no place for them. A rebellion against a future of living on the dole (the British version of unemployment).

Punk rock. The Sex Pistols. The Clash. Sid Vicious. The Buzzcocks. The Damned. The Slits. The Stranglers. Johnny Rotten.

Punk rock. Its birth came on



the stage of the St. Martin's School of Art on Friday November 6, 1975. The Sex Pistols went on stage. Five minutes later the power was cut off. It had begun.

Punk rock. Those who heard



The life and death of a punk

By Richard Pesce

Sid and Nancy is the type of movie you walk out of with a very depressing, but realistic look at the life of a heroin addict.

Sid and Nancy is also the type of movie that you leave thinking to yourself, "that was an excellent film."

The film is the story of Sid Vicious and his relationship with his girl friend, Nancy Spungen. The story is a classic tale of two young people trying to grow up and deal with the often cruel reality of the world.

Sid, played by Gary Oldam is the rising young star whose life is taken over by his girl friend (Chloe Webb) and the need for heroin. The movie portrays the life of an addict as a very boring one.

Although Sid was the "star" of the Sex Pistols, all he really was, was an image. Many times in the movie, when the Sex Pistols are putting on a show, Vicious is off somewhere with Nancy getting high. When the Sex Pistols break up, Sid is left with nothing except his girl friend and his drugs. Both of these things control his life and play a major part in the tragic end to his life.

Vicious makes an attempt at a solo singing career, but he just can't seem to give up his drugs long enough to even rehearse. More than often he has to be dragged on to stage, and once he is there he can't remember the lyrics and results to reading them off of a sheet of paper. At one point in the film Vicious is

struggling to stand up on the stage, while singing to only one person, who he probably can't see anyway. The person listening is former Sex Pistols' bandmate Johnny Rotten. Rotten shakes his head as to say, what a shame, and then just walks out.

Despite the often gloomy mood of the film, there are some very funny moments as well. One scene that stands out takes place in a phone booth. Nancy has just got off the phone with her mother and is very upset because her mother won't send her any money. "You are not going to believe this," she yells at Sid. "She won't send us any money because she thinks we'll spend it on drugs." Sid replies quite honestly, "But we would."

It is Oldam as Vicious, and director Alex Cox (Repo Man) that make this film so visually horrifying, and also gives it that light touch that keeps you from leaving the theater wanting to kill yourself. The mix of these two features make *Sid and Nancy* one of the best films of the year.

This is the best movie released since Woody Allen's, *Hannah and Her Sisters*. (No, I haven't seen *Platoon* yet). Whether you're familiar with the life of Sid Vicious or you never even heard his name, this is one movie that you shouldn't miss.

Sid and Nancy is presently playing at Merrills Showcase in Burlington.

it were either converted or were disgusted. Those who were disgusted didn't understand it and didn't try.

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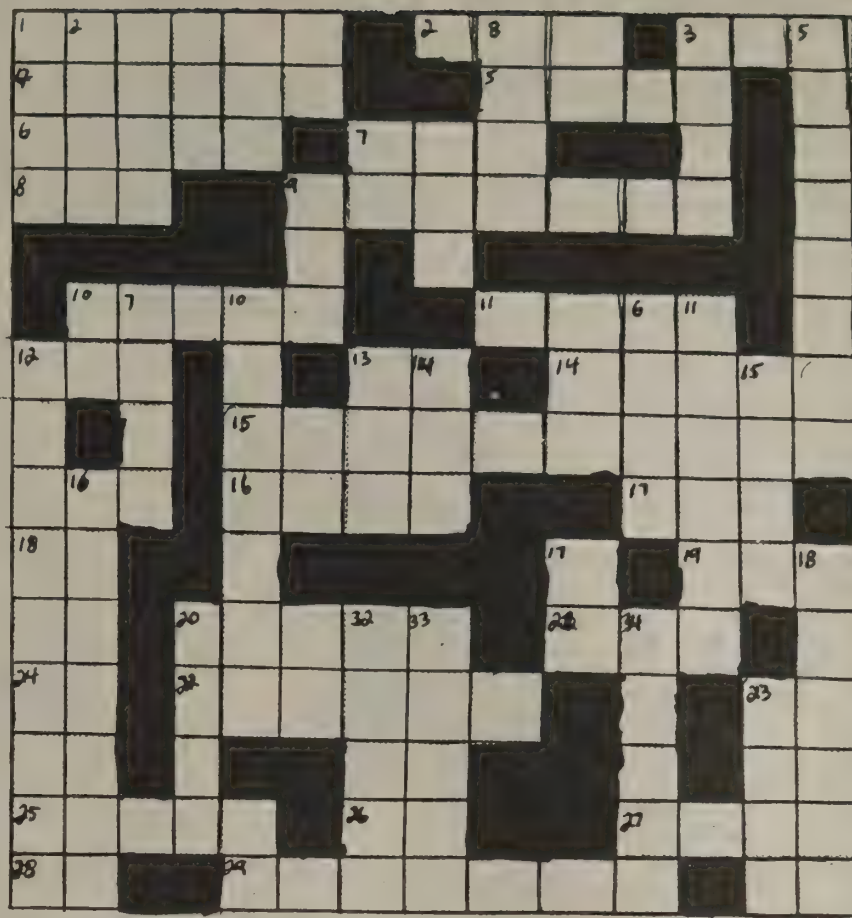
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4. What Father VanderWeel
does for apparently no reason.
See story on page _____

5. Four letter word meaning
rock and roll.

6. SAGA version of a Big mac.
_____ Burger.

7. AT&T alternative.

8. Women's Basketball's Deb-
bie Burke.

8. Why students attend St.
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9. Women's Basketball's Deb-
bie Burke.

10. SAGA emits a distinctive .
11. SAGA's version of an Egg
McMuffin. _____ Muffin.

12. Don Sutton's next
employer?

13. Flatlander's home.

14. What to do with Kudos bars.

15. The true home of St.
Michael's College.

16. Outing Club activity.

17. A stupid word which
evolved from 6 Down.

18. Reagan's plea: "Just say ____
to drugs."

19. Do you know how hard it is
to make a crossword puzzle that
works?

20. The head honcho.

21. The machine that never
works at SAGA.

24. The first two letters of the
word GIANT.

22. The noisy home of health
services.

23. Dr. Garret's car.

25. Journalists are generally ____.

26. Maker of the fries.

27. The Champlain _____.

28. The ship on Gilligan's
Island: _____ Minnow.

29. The SMC yearly photo
album.

Down

1. Popular UVM bar: What ____
You.

2. What is very hard to do on
St. Michael's campus.

8. Geek, dweeb, moron.

3. William's home; Stratford
upon _____.

5. Often found on post office
floor; publication.

9. Covert Operations R Us;
Under the rule of Casey.

7. What the St. Michael's
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again, besides wins.

10. The saint of the college.

6. "Beav, think we should?"

11. Alumni peacekeeper.

12. camp St. Michael's.

13. Civil rights leader.

14. It is practically impossible to
_____ Biochemistry.

15. The new building has
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16. "Thirty minutes or free."

17. Common greeting.

18. Prof. Weary's alma mater.

20. The tuition ____ has risen
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33. *The Defender's* Mike
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34. the elusive creature of the
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A review of the NHL at midseason

By Scott Fletcher

They're scalping Red Wings tickets in Detroit. Fighting is down, but power play goals are up. Only 334 fans showed up at The Meadowlands to see a New Jersey Devils game. Rendez-Vous '87, a two-game all-star series with the Soviets, looms, but Wayne Gretzky won't start for the NHL squad. Rookie goaltenders are standing the league on its collective ear.

These are only some of the high notes around the National Hockey League as it passes the midseason point. Interest in the league is up, as evidenced by an overall increase in attendance of 125,000 and better television ratings for the weekly telecasts on ESPN.

What better time than the mid-season to take a look at some of the league's higher and lower lights? A division-by-division look follows.

ADAMS DIVISION

All discussions about the Adams Division must begin with the Hartford Whalers. At this writing, the Whalers have just beaten the Bruins to reclaim first place. They are coming off a home-and-home sweep of the Canadiens and seem to be overcoming their injury problems. Wayne Babych, John Anderson, Sylvain Turgeon and Kevin Dineen have recently returned to the lineup after suffering injuries. Defenseman Joel Quenneville and winger Torrie Robertson have injuries that may keep them out for the season. Still, led by goalies Mike Liut and Steve Weeks, the Whalers must be considered odds-on favorites to claim their first Adams title.

That 'other' New England team, the Boston Bruins have played less than inspired hockey. The exception to this is Bay Bourque, who continues to lead the team in scoring and may finally win the Norris Trophy as the NHL's best defenseman. Former Bruin Terry O'Reilly is now coaching Boston (the last time we checked, anyway) and his real test will come in the playoffs, where the Bruins have consistently folded the last few years. Rookie goalie Bill Ranford continues to impress.

What's wrong with the Montreal Canadiens? Last year's Stanley Cup champions are getting by with outstanding goaltending from last year's playoff

hero, Patrick Roy, and newcomer Brian Hayward, acquired in the off-season from Winnipeg. But in late January, the Habs still didn't have a 20-goal scorer. If the defense goes, the Canadiens can write off any hopes of an Adams title. Only three points separates the top teams.

No one can blame the Quebec Nordiques if they have been preoccupied. Rendez-Vous '87 in Quebec City is less than two weeks away and the NHL's startling lineup against the Soviets will have the Nordiques Clint Malarchuk in goal and Michel Goulet at left wing. Still, with only 45 points at the end of January, the fourth-place Nordiques have got to be one of the NHL's biggest disappointments.

A horrible start may have sabotaged the playoff hopes of the Buffalo Sabres. Ex-Ranger coach Ted Sator has taken over the Sabres, and the club has improved slightly, but not enough to climb out of the deep hole they are still in. At this writing, the Sabres are 11 points behind Quebec and the last playoff spot.

PATRICK DIVISION

Goalie Ron Hextall of the Philadelphia Flyers is one of the front-runners for the rookie-of-the-year award, as his goals against average of 2.70 is the best in the NHL. The Flyers have a comfortable 17-point lead in the Patrick Division, but must avoid a playoff upset like they suffered last year against the Rangers. Seventeen of Tim Kerr's 36 goals have come on the power play, making him one of the NHL's top scorers. The Flyers are also getting big years from wingers Peter Zezel (21 goals, 24 assists for 48 points) and Per-Erik Eklund (10-32-42) and defenseman Mark Howe (9-29-38) who was recently injured and may miss Rendez-Vous '87.

The rest of the division is packed tightly, and since only three of the other five teams can make the playoffs, two teams will have to miss out. In past years, one could just take the Pittsburgh Penguins and New Jersey Devils and throw them out. That is not the case this year. Mario Lemieux (27-28-55) is leading the Penguins out of the cellar, and also beat out Gretzky in the fan balloting for the starting slot on the Rendez-Vous team. Still, the Penguins went 2-7-4 when Lemieux was injured but his recent return

seems to have rejuvenated Pittsburgh. The Devils only managed 334 fans for a game with Winnipeg, but a raging blizzard, not poor hockey, was responsible. The Devils sold out their next game. New Jersey is still in the cellar, but are only a few points out of the last playoff spot. The Devils have 12 players with 10 or more goals. Goalie Alain Chevrier continues to impress.

Unlike the Sabres, the Washington Capitals have overcome a lousy start and are solidly in playoff competition. By dumping former 50-goal scorer Bobby Carpenter, the Caps picked up three useful players in Mike Ridley, Kelly Miller and Bob Crawford from the Rangers. Currently in third, the Capitals are close enough to make a run for second place.



The New York Islanders are in second place but are they a mess. Tomas Jonsson and Brian Curran were injured in an auto accident after a recent loss to Detroit. The driver, a 17-year old girl, is in a coma. Jonsson is out for the year, and Curran has been farmed out to Springfield. Rookie head coach Terry Simpson was suspended by the NHL for allowing his team to brawl with the Flyers. Their lead over the rest of the division is four points, and shrinking.

No team has made more news this season than the New York Rangers. General Manager turned head coach Phil Esposito seems to pull off a major deal every week. Espo has added Carpenter, Tony McKegney (21 goals), Walt Poddubny (24 goals) and last year's second-best NHL goalie, Bob Froese. The Rangers already had last year's best goalie in John Vanbiesbrouck. Forward Tomas Sandstrom has been a hot shooter, registering three hat tricks in an eight-game stretch. Coach Tom Webster's inner-ear problem has prompted Espo to name himself head coach for the remainder of the year. In the hunt for a playoff spot, the Rangers will be fun to watch.

NORRIS DIVISION

The Norris is traditionally the graveyard of the NHL, and this year is no exception. Not one of the five teams is over the .500 mark at this writing, the Minnesota North Stars have 49 points in 49 games, and so far that has been good enough for first place. Dino Ciccarelli has been the Stars' biggest scorer, his 33 goals are third in the NHL behind only Gretzky and Kerr. Rookie Kari Takko (he with the snow-white pads) of Finland is another one of those freshmen goalies that has impressed in his first full season, he has a goals-against average of 3.10.

The Detroit Red Wings are leading the league in attendance, averaging 18,457 for a home game, and Wings tickets have suddenly become hot items. The team was the worst in the league last year (and their #1 pick, Joe Murphy, is still in the minors) but the distance from there to second-place in the Norris is not very far. The Wings just swapped their best left-winger, John Ogronick to Quebec for Brent Ashton (25 goals) and others, so maybe the Wings smell playoffs.

Few teams have longer injury lists than the St. Louis Blues. Brian Sutter, Eddy Beers and Kent Carlson are done for the year and top sniper Bernie Federko hasn't and probably won't, play for weeks. Cliff Ronning of Team Canada had a hat trick in his first game replacing Federko, but other than that, the Blues have been skidding through the regular season. Not much effort is required to run away with this division, but the Blues can't produce that.

Injuries to their defensemen have "crippled" the Toronto Maple Leafs. The Leafs were going nowhere to begin with, so the injuries are like stealing the wheels off a car with no engine. Russ Courtnall, Rick Vaive and Wendel Clark still get their goals, but the Leafs give them up in bunches. Toronto still plays in the Norris though, so don't be surprised to see them come playoff time.

Along with Quebec, the Chicago Blackhawks rank up there with the biggest disappointments in the NHL. You would think a club with Denis Savard, Steve Larmer, Al Second, Troy Murray and Doug Wilson could do better than last place in hockey's worst division. Only the Kings and Devils have worse goaltending, and only the Sabres and Canucks have worse records.

SMYTHE DIVISION

The Edmonton Oilers have the most goals and the most

points in the NHL. In other words, they are right where you would expect them to be. Wayne Gretzky, however, is not where you would expect him to be. Oh sure, the Great One leads the league in scoring with 43 goals and 111 points. But wouldn't you think that if you were picking a league all-star team to battle the Soviets that number 99 would be your starting center? Apparently, you don't, because Gretzky received 35,000 fewer votes than Pittsburgh's Mario Lemieux did. The Oilers are 10 points clear of second place. Business as usual.

The Winnipeg Jets lead the league in rookie goalies and are in second place behind Edmonton. Daniel Berthiaume and Eldon 'Pokey' Reddick have kept the Jets in the air with above average netminding. Winnipeg is a little weak scoring goals, their total of 179 is one of the lowest in the league. Don't blame Dale Hawerchuk, he has 29 goals going on 50.

Montreal's opponents in last year's Cup final, the Calgary Flames, have, like the Canadiens, played lackluster hockey for much of the season. Hotshot playoff goalie Mike Vernon (technically, still a rookie) has not been as scintillating as last year. Joey Mullen has 26 goals for the Flames, but instead of moving closer to the Oilers as expected, Calgary has been passed by Winnipeg.

At season's start who would have guessed that the Los Angeles Kings would be one of the league's most interesting teams? Rookies Luc Robitaille and Jimmy Carson are 1-2 in the rookie scoring race, but are all but overlooked amidst all the rookie goalie standouts. Marcel Dionne continues to age gracefully, the 36-year-old continues to show the kids how it's done, leading the Kings in scoring. However, if the Kings want to make a dent in the playoffs, they must improve their lousy penalty killing and poor goaltending (second worst in the league).

With a name like Petri Skriko, you know this guy must be a hockey player. He leads hockey's worst team, the Vancouver Canucks, in goals. Skriko is not exactly a nobody, he scored 38 goals last year, but what other name do you put on the marquee when the Canucks come to town? No playoffs in Vancouver this year. A savior, the next Lemieux/Gretzky, awaits in the rookie draft, and his team is Pierre Turgeon.



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Skiing

SMC victorious

By Diane Marty

On January 16 and 17 the St. Michael's men's and women's ski teams competed in the Castleton Winter Carnival at Pico. The Winter Carnival included schools from both Division I and II. St. Michael's came in first in the Division II schools for both the men's and women's team.

According to the women's ski coach, Liz Cronin, the teams faced two of the hardest courses they will see this year because the courses were designed for Division I competition. Cronin also said the course was fast and icy. Cronin said the competition was the hardest the teams will face because they were competing with Division I schools.

In the women's giant slalom, Carolyn Heald finished first in Division II and 12th overall. Her times were 59.21, 54.13 and a total of 1:53. Cronin said Heald is a good skier and if she keeps up the work she will be the top skier in Division II.

Jennifer Koch finished 31st overall with times of 1:03.99, 59.39 and a total of 2:03.38. Lisa Stebbins finished 32nd overall with times of 1:04.39, 59.50 and a total of 2:04.28. Sara Egan finished 41st with times of 1:14.58, 1:09.38 and a total of 2:23.96.

In the Men's Giant Slalom,

John Walters came in 24th with times of 57.58, 52.25 and a total of 1:49.57. Mark Keeney finished 26th with times of 58.12, 52.13 and a total of 1:50.25. Bob Christianson came in 27th with times of 58.42, 51.91 and a total of 1:50.33. Aiden Glacken came 43rd with times of 59.62, 54.34 and a total of 1:53.96.

Cronan said Bob Harkins is probably one of the best skiers this year and did well in the first runs of the day but didn't finish the second run. She said his time for the first run was 55.97.

In the Women's Slalom, Carolyn Heald finished 4th overall with times of 1:03.36, 1:07.29 and a total of 2:10.65. Lisa Stebbins came 9th with times of 1:06.97, 1:10.97 and a total of 2:17.94. Jennifer Koch finished 17th with times of 1:20.29, 1:24.37 and a total of 2:44.66.

In the Men's Slalom, Mark Keeney finished 19th with times of 1:01.83, 1:02.39 and a total of 2:04.03. Aiden Glacken finished 20th with times of 1:01.06, 1:03.61 and a total of 2:04.67. John Walter came 31st with times of 59.25, 1:12.95 and a total of 2:12.20.

Cronan said, "Overall St. Michael's had a very good showing and the season should be successful."

Opinion

Clemens as MVP is a major mistake

By Richard Pesce

* MVP. Most Valuable Player. When I hear these words, I usually think of such immortals as Babe Ruth, Ted Williams, Hank Aaron or Mickey Mante. All were players who went out everyday and gave 100 percent for their team.

Back in November, Boston Red Sox pitcher Roger Clemens was named the Most Valuable Player in the American League for the 1986 baseball season.

Roger Clemens didn't deserve to be named MVP of the American League. In fact, I don't think he deserved one single vote.

It is not my intention to imply that Clemens did not give 100 percent, and I'll certainly agree that he had an incredible year and deserved the Cy Young award. What I'm saying is that the writers who voted for Clemens seemed to have overlooked one important fact; being a pitcher Clemens only plays every five days or so, and in a lot of those games, he doesn't last the entire nine innings.

Both Don Mattingly of the New York Yankees and Jim Rice of the Red Sox are everyday players who deserved to finish ahead of Clemens in the balloting.

Throughout the season, while Clemens rested his arm waiting for his next start, Mattingly and Rice were on the field helping their teams win ballgames. When Clemens was done resting, Mattingly and Rice were still on the field, and when it was time for Clemens to rest again, they were still out there.

Rice played in 157 games this year. Mattingly played in all 162, and missed only six innings the entire season.

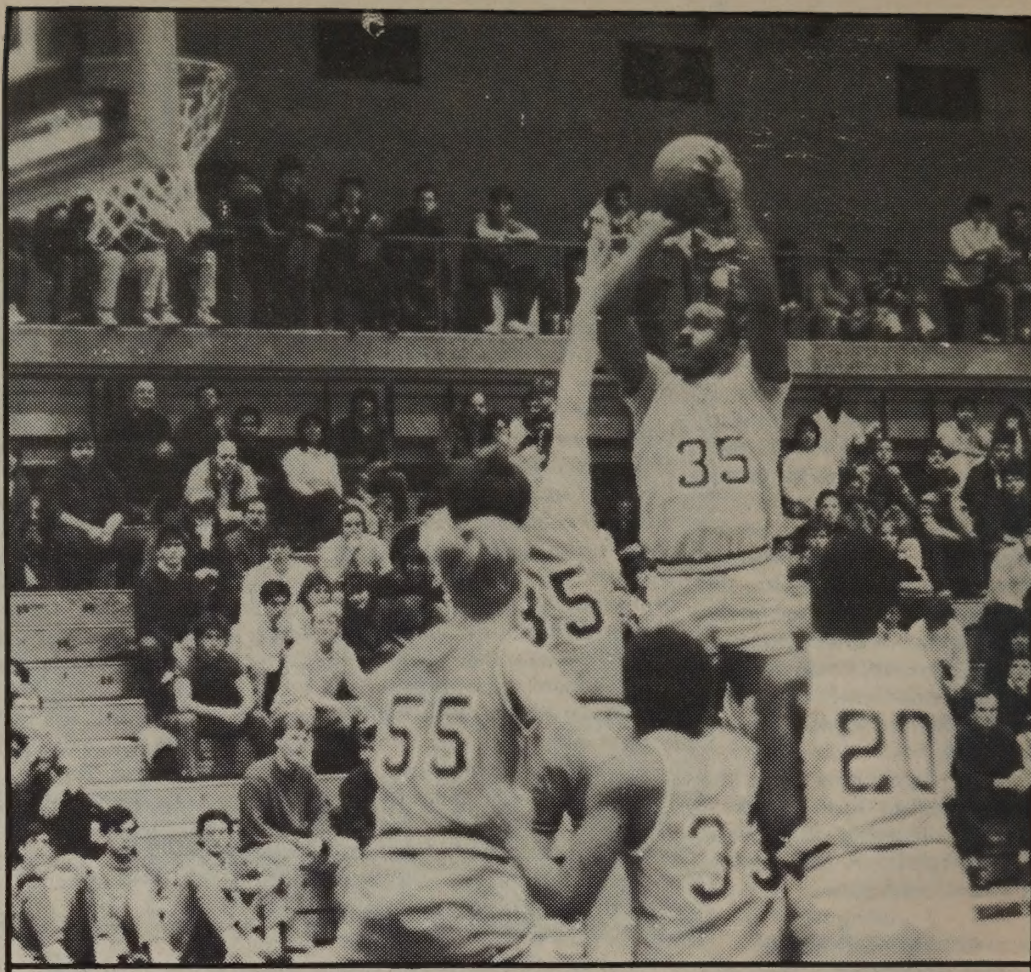
Clemens pitched in 33 games in 1986. A 33-game season does not constitute an MVP award. Even Rice, a teammate of Clemens, when asked who should get the award said something along the lines of, I don't know who should get it, but I do think it should be an everyday player.

Something should be done to avoid problems like this. Mattingly's 1986 statistics were incredible, he batted .352 with 31 homeruns and 113 RBI's. Yet, he failed to receive a single offensive award, although he was awarded a Gold Glove for his defensive excellence.

I think that the commissioner of baseball should seriously consider changing the guidelines that constitute what an MVP really is.

If this type of ignorant ballot casting is to go on among sportswriters in America, as an award, the MVP will lose the respect it so greatly deserves.

(The Defender recognizes its responsibility to present both sides of an argument. Submissions should be typed, doubled spaced and no longer than two pages. The Defender reserves the right to edit submissions for length.)



Larry Irving (35) comes out of the crowd as he puts up a shot during last Tuesday's win over Tufts. (Photo by Pat Farrington.)

Men's hoop continued

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For whatever reason, none of Adelphi's follow up shots fell. It was almost as if there were some invisible ghost sitting on the rim, Doc Jacobs or somebody, batting away the Panthers shots. Maybe the same ghost had been at the other hoop a few seconds earlier and nudged in Bonebo's shot. Home court advantage, indeed.

"This is the first real break we've had all year," said a relieved Casciano. "We've lost games like this."

Adelphi managed to control the tempo throughout the game, using their spread offense designed to limit the number of possessions for each team.

"We felt if the game went to 80-85 points, it would favor St. Michael's," said Flanagan. "So by spreading our offense out, we controlled the number of times the ball changed hands. We felt a game in the 60s would give us a chance."

Casciano said Adelphi's strategy was no surprise.

"We knew they wanted a

game in the 50s or 60s," said Casciano. "They wanted to control the tempo and they did an excellent job of it. We never got on a roll. This is one of those 'Thank God' wins."

called timeout after the score, holding a 68-67 lead. The next 15 seconds were scary for the Knights. They played solid defense, and Schilero flung a low-percentage one-handed shot from out near 3-point land, and then everybody in the house, it seemed, crashed the boards. Three different Panthers had good, clean swipes at the ball, first English, then Long and finally Schilero. There was an incredible mass of humanity underneath the hoop, and there were so many fouls (both ways) that it was one of those situations where the referees cannot call just one, so they don't call any.

The Knights had plenty of good performances. Bonebo had 10 rebounds, including those two huge ones late in the game.

most ever, and he played a long time with 4 fouls. Daway had 16 points and did a tremendous job on the Panthers' leading scorer, Charles Webb, who was way off his game with only 2 points. JB Brown had 10 points including some big inside hoops. Brown's performance was even more important because SMC was without Larry Irving, who had the flu.

Mike Donahue gave the Knights a big lift in the first half when he hit on two 3-point shots. But the Knights' unsung hero (Flanagan called him a backbreaker) was Gabriel. Gabriel played almost the entire game, and his two 3-point plays (not shots) were important points for the Knights in the second half. Gabriel also led the team with 6 assists and 4 steals.

But nobody approached the performance of Long. He has been hampered by a knee injury for several games, but had been playing anyway. This was the first game in a long stretch where he was 100 percent. He shot 13 of 15 from the field and 4 of 4 from the free throw line. He scored from everywhere in a variety of twisting, driving positions. He was the best in the house.

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Lady Knights lose to Ravens, wallop Tufts

By Jeffrey Chalbeck

For the St. Michael's College women's basketball team the recent two game homestand was a tale of four teams: the two opponents and the two different SMC teams that played on Jan. 25 and 27.

St. Michael's first alter ego played a quickly-developing Franklin Pierce team in the not-quite-packed Ross Sports Center on Superbowl Sunday.

The Purple Knights only lost the game by three points, 60-57 but it was the way they lost that told the story and not the margin of defeat.

The Knights came out with a man-to-man pressure defense that disrupted the Pierce inside game in the first half. St. Michael's double teamed the Pierce six footers, Sheila Lyndsey and Robyn Thibodeaux, keeping their combined total to only seven points at the half, but the interior defense was not enough to keep Franklin Pierce from taking a lead at the intermission, 31-26.

Pierce managed to stop the Knights strategy by hitting from the perimeter. Starters Wanda Lukehart and Cindy Marcin with 4 of 7 and 8 of 9 shooting respectively, told the story.

St. Michael's leading scorer was Debbie Burke with 14 points, but she only shot 28 percent (7 of 25) from the field to do it. Other players in double figures for the Knights were Liz Ringrose, who played an outstanding game (13 points, 11

rebounds) and lead the team in minutes played with 36, and sophomore Kathy King with 12 points.

The Knights did everything except putting the ball in the hoop against the visiting Franklin Pierce team. St. Michael's outshot them by 27 shots, out rebounded them by 11, and had eight more steals. Both teams scored 27 field goals, but Pierce shot 55 percent and St. Michael's could only manage 35 percent. Those three extra points came from the free throw line where Pierce hit 6 of 9 and SMC made only 3 of 13.

Coach Sue Duprat said, against FPC "we didn't come in concentrating". "Reasons don't matter...we don't have any excuses, but losses like that hurt a long time," she said.

This was Franklin Pierce's first Div. II victory this season and has brought their overall record to 8-9. "To get a win over such an excellent program will add quite a bit of credibility to our season," Franklin Pierce coach Sonia Fillion said.

The Knights' next home game resulted in a much needed victory over Tufts. St. Michael's came out smoking, hitting 64 percent from the field and taking a 21 point lead at the half.

"We are running on all eight cylinders," Duprat said.

Duprat altered her starting

lineup for the game by replacing a slumping Pam Nee with Becky Knox at the point guard spot. Knox scored 10 points on 5 of 5 shooting and had three assists in 20 minutes of play.

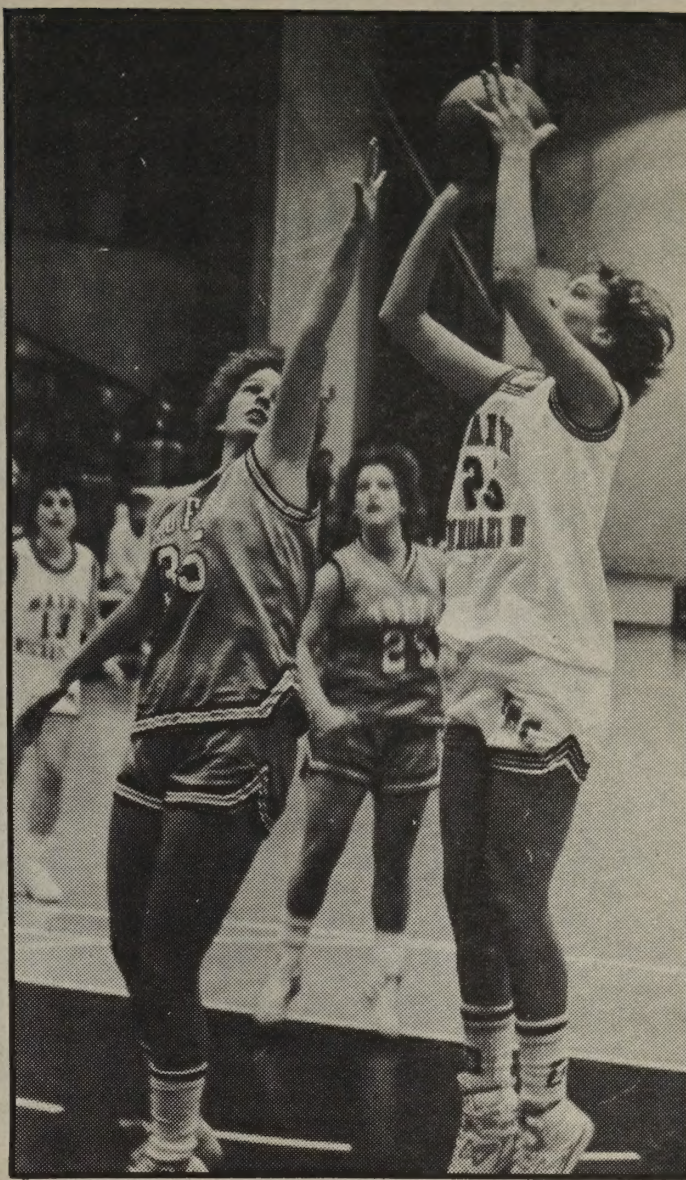
The Purple Knights beat the Tufts University Lady Jumbos in just about every aspect imaginable. St. Michael's starting five combined for 74 points, 33 rebounds and 15 steals. Leading the way for the Knights was sophomore center Kathy King, who had 22 points and 15 rebounds.

The Tufts team was shut down inside except for their leading scorer, senior Linda Amoroso, who had 15 (one point shy of her season average).

The Lady Jumbos starting guards combined for 27 points, with Anne-Marie Treadup scoring 15 and Teresa Allen with 12, but the Knights starting guards of Burke (18 pts.) and Knox (10 pts. and 4 stls.) was more than enough to counteract Tufts output on top.

Tufts' Coach Sharon Dawley said, her team played up to par, but said St. Michael's shooting was too good to overcome.

There isn't much you can do when your opponent shoots almost 70 percent in the first half," she said. "They (SMC) were just too confident going into the second half after that,"



St. Michael's forward Kathy King puts up two of her points in last Tuesday's victory over Tufts at the Ross Sports Center. (Photo by Scott Fletcher.)

she said.

Coach Duprat said she is pleased with her teams' performance, but not satisfied.

"We can play with the tough

teams, but now we have to see if we can reach the next step, and win against those teams," she said.

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Big league sports hit Vermont on the air

By Scott Fletcher

It would appear in this modern age that most of us have become reliant on cable television for coverage of our favorite sports. It is fairly common to plop oneself into an easy chair at 7:30, whip out the remote control and be faced with a myriad of selections of professional and collegiate sports, that stretches far into the night.

Perhaps it is true that we do not fully appreciate what we have until we lost it. For the majority of students at St. Michael's, cable television in one's room does not exist. Our menu of television sports, therefore, is limited to the three major networks on weekends.

For NBA and NHL fans, this is hell. CBS owns the rights to the NBA, and only recently have they begun their weekly coverage of the league, and even that only provides one game a week. The NHL has no network contract, and without cable television, hockey fans cannot see their favorite clubs.

I have faced this dilemma, and I have found a way around it. The answer, quite simply, is radio. Most of the NBA and NHL clubs have radio contracts with big stations that send their

signals zooming halfway across the continent. This is why someone living in Chicago can follow the New York Knicks and Rangers or someone in New York can listen to the Detroit Red Wings or Cleveland Cavaliers.

This only works at night. Radio signals, especially AM signals, travel further at night. I understand why this is, but I'm not sure you would and I do not think I could explain it clearly to you. Suffice to say, radio signals travel further at night. Take my word for it, they do.

And this all works out, of course, because most winter sporting events take place at night. You would be surprised what you can pull in with a decent radio, even in the Champlain Valley.

What follows is a list of stations I have received on my radios on the St. Michael's campus. Some adjustment may be necessary on your part, you may need to place your radio nearer the window or twist it a certain way to pick up the signal. Please keep in mind that the stations on this list are flagship stations, providing the strongest signals. The NBA list may seem a little skimpy, but it's the best we can do in this area.

And just because you are a fan of the Denver Nuggets or Edmonton Oilers and your team's station isn't on the list, don't fret. Keep an eye on your club's schedule, eventually they will play someone on the list. All the cheering may be on the wrong side, but it is better than nothing. Enough of this. On to the list.

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

Boston Bruins	1390 WPLM
Buffalo Sabres	930 WBEN
Chicago Blackhawks	730 WBBM
Detroit Red Wings	760 WJR
Hartford Whalers	1080 WTIC
Minnesota North Stars	1500 KSJP
Montreal Canadiens	980 WEAV
New Jersey Devils	570 WMCA
New York Islanders	710 WOR
New York Rangers	660 WNBC
Philadelphia Flyers	610 WIP
Pittsburgh Penguins	1020 KDKA
St. Louis Blues	1090 KXOK

NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

Boston Celtics	1230 WJOY
Chicago Bulls	730 WBBM
Cleveland Cavaliers	1100 WWWE
New Jersey Nets	1130 WNEW
New York Knicks	660 WNBC

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Knights' set sights on championship

By Scott Fletcher

All right, class, let's review.

The bottom line is that the St. Michael's men's basketball team is 12-7 overall and 3-2 in the Mideast Conference. They had two big wins last week, dusting an average Division III team, Tufts, 95-75, and beating league opponent Adelphi, the team with the worst conference record, but not necessarily the worst team, 68-67.

The win over Tufts was big because the Knights were coming off a heart-breaking loss to arch-rival Gannon. It was the kind of loss that either builds character or makes you fold your tent and go home. Saturday's win over Adelphi may be an indication that it is the former, not the tent-folding, that coach Jim Casciano's Knights are experiencing.

But while their tent may still be standing, the Knights are not out of the woods yet. They have only completed half of their conference schedule; they get to play everybody one more time before the playoffs start. The Knights play LeMoyne at home Saturday (3:15 starting time) and will try to avenge a 87-81 loss earlier this year.

Then, class, comes the biggie. In what has got to be one of the fastest developing (and soon to be one of the shortest-lived) college basketball rivalries, Gannon University will make perhaps its last appearance at the Ross Sports Center next Tuesday evening.

The Golden Knights have only one conference loss, and all your old friends from last year will be back. Mike Runski (his nickname is "Run D.M. Ski"), John Matthews (the 30-year-old former steel worker with the goggles), Mitch Smith (the 24-year-old guy with the goggles), David Morris (at 6-4, 220+ pounds he looks like a mini Charles Barkley) and guards Stacey Hitt and Mike MacDougall are all back with coach Tom Chapman, who last year said when Gannon plays on the road, it is like "the circus is in town." Last year's game drew almost 2,000 spectators, so maybe the circus was in town.

Got all that, class? We are getting off the subject. Let's not forget that Saturday's one point



Mike Donahue takes to the air as he looks for some one under the hoop during Saturday's win over Adelphi. Michel Bonebo (11) looks on as Adelphi forward Jerry Long (21) defends Donahue with a little help from a teammate. (Photo by Pat Farrington.)

win over Adelphi was supposed to be a breather. The Panthers came in with a record of 8-11 overall and 0-6 in the Mideast Conference. According to Adelphi coach Jim Flanagan, they played their best game of the year against St. Michael's.

"This was as good an effort as we've had all year," said Flanagan, who looked like he had been through the wash after the game. "We lost to Gannon by one point on our floor in a similar type game, but seeing how this one was on the road, this was our best game of the year."

It was *almost* their biggest win of the year. The Panthers Reggie Fitzgerald got a kind bounce on a short jump shot to

give Adelphi a 65-63 lead with 2:05 to play. SMC's Gus Gabriel then made one of the biggest plays in a game of big plays.

Gabriel took the ensuing inbounds pass, raced upcourt, paused at the top of the key, and then scooted through a crack of space between the two Adelphi guards at the foul line. He hit his penetration shot and was fouled by Fitzgerald. Gabriel made the free throw, and the Knights called time out with 1:56 to play and a 66-65 lead.

"Gus Gabriel broke our back," said Flanagan. "He played a tremendous game and gave St. Michael's the big plays when they needed them."

After the timeout, Adelphi

inbounded and set up their spread offense, with two forwards down low, two guards way out near halfcourt and a center running around funneling the ball between the guards. The Knights were content to sit back in a zone, it looked like a crooked 1-3-1, and wait for the Panthers to stop fooling around.

Adelphi tried to have both of their low forwards break toward the foul line to draw the SMC defense up and get a lob pass to their big man, Bernard English, for one of his deadly hooks. When the Knights refused to bite (although they had twice before) the Panthers called timeout with 1:22 left and 11 seconds on the shot clock.

Adelphi made one change, they sent in long bomber Rob Schiliro, but he never had a chance to shoot. SMC had switched to man-to-man, and harassed the Panthers vehemently, forcing a desperation 3-point heave by Jerry Long with the shot clock running down. It was not the shot the Panthers wanted, and it produced a long rebound.

This was a big rebound, and the Knights' Michel Bonebo got it. He was outside the key, holding the ball over his head (where absolutely no one could get it) looking for a guard to throw an outlet pass to. He couldn't find one. Once it became apparent he was having trouble (why didn't someone call timeout?), English got on him, and Bonebo was called for traveling.

Still with us, class?

Just over one minute remained after the turnover ("I don't think he walked," Casciano said afterward) and Adelphi still trailed by one. They got the ball to their hot man, Jerry Long, a Kevin McHale lookalike who had a game-high 30 points, including 22 in the second half, and Long hit a leaning, 10-foot jumper (using the glass nicely) to put Adelphi up 67-66 with 40 seconds left.

Rushing upcourt, George Daway (team-high 16 points) *wanted* the ball and *wanted* to take the big shot. With 21 seconds left, Daway drove the baseline and took a short jump shot that banged off the hoop.

With 19 seconds left, Bonebo snagged the rebound in the middle of the key, and put up a shot with 18 seconds left. The ball clung to the rim, bouncing four times before finally dropping through with 15 seconds left (it was weird the way the red numbers on the scoreboard at the east end of the gym looked like they were ten feet tall during the waning moments, you could watch the action but out of the corner of your eye you could see the seconds tick down...19...18... it was one of those strange moments where you see two things at once, like a trick photograph, a *trompe-l'oeil* if you will — don't write any of this down, class).

The Knights immediately

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Two wins lift ice Knights to 3-12

By Susan M. O'Shea

The men's ice hockey team has begun a turn around after a slow start last semester.

The men recently won two games against Skidmore and the University of Southern Maine, bringing the Knights' record to 3-12.

The Knights dominated play on the ice last Sunday against Southern Maine. The men won 8-1 as captain Jay Bellissimo led the scoring with three goals for a hat trick and center Kevin Benedix added two goals.

Although the Knights lost against Assumption on Jan. 17, the turnaround in the season seemed to come during that game. Penalties hurt the Knights, but the men started to play together as a team.

The Knights lost defenseman Jim Gillis who suffered a concussion during this game. He will return to play on Saturday.

"It took a lot of time to turn around but the team finally got together and now we are playing well together," center Scott Branon said.

Last semester the Knights were stumbling for unknown reasons. Giveaways and defensive turnovers were the major contributors to the team's poor play.

"Just like in basketball, if a player turns the ball over the other team will score," Tony Ackels said. "In hockey it is the same thing. A turnover in the defensive end gives the other team a good chance of scoring."

The Knights also had six losses by one goal last semester which seemed to affect the team's confidence.

"Those losses killed the team's morale," Branon said, "but we are still optimistic about the rest of the season."

"Our goal is to finish off the season strong and never quit."

Although the team has been playing strong they did lose to Plymouth State last Tuesday.

"We didn't play up to our potential against Plymouth," Branon said. "Adverse conditions damaged our play. We played on an outside rink at 10 degrees below zero. We were

just not used to these conditions."

The Knights still have playoff hopes if they continue to play well. Their record in Division III is 3-5. With five division games remaining, an 8-5 record could give them a playoff bid.

The next home game is Feb. 7 against Villanova University.

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